

Appendix E

NHPA Correspondence

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APPENDIX E
PART 1 CORRESPONDENCE WITH SHPO AND ACHP

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October 6, 2011

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Re: Section 106 Consultation
Land Acquisition and Development
Department of State Foreign Affairs Security Training Center
Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia

Dear Ms. Kampinen:

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and the Department of State (DOS) are proposing to acquire and develop a parcel of land for a Foreign Affairs Security Training Center (FASTC). GSA will acquire the site, conduct the environmental studies, and provide construction procurement, construction management, commissioning and other services necessary to complete the project for DOS. GSA is the lead agency for Section 106 consultation for this project. This proposed project is partially funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).

The FASTC will provide training for a wide variety of law enforcement and security disciplines managed by the DOS Bureau of Diplomatic Security. The FASTC is expected to train 8,000-10,000 students per year and include both hard skills training, such as driving tracks, firing ranges, mock urban training, and explosives ranges; soft skills training, such as classrooms, simulation labs, and a fitness center; and support facilities such as administrative offices, dormitories, a dining hall, and emergency response facilities.

GSA and DOS have conducted a four-step Site Evaluation Process and identified portions of the existing Virginia Army National Guard's Maneuver Training Center at Fort Pickett and Pickett Park in Nottoway County, Virginia (Fort Pickett) as the potential location for this undertaking. The Site Evaluation process included the following assessment steps and basic site requirements:

- Step 1: Public Ownership, minimum acreage, ability to support 24/7 operations
- Step 2: Developable area and compatible surroundings
- Step 3: Feasibility Study
- Step 4: Environmental Impact Statement & Master Planning (current step)

The proposed project is an undertaking subject to Section 106 Consultation. GSA would like to formally initiate Section 106 consultation at this time in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.3. GSA will be initiating an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) that will culminate in a Record of Decision (ROD). In accordance with 36 CFR § 800.8(c), GSA intends to use the process and documentation

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required for the preparation of an EIS and ROD to comply with section 106 in lieu of the procedures set forth in §§ 800.3 through 800.6.

At this time, the Area of Potential Effects (APE) for this undertaking includes the parcels of land made available to DOS and GSA by the Virginia Army National Guard and Nottoway County located inside the boundaries of Fort Pickett. Please see Attachment 1 for an overview map of Fort Pickett with the two subject parcels, labeled as the LRA and 21/20 parcels, identified. As identification and scoping efforts commence, GSA and our cultural resource consultant, TEC, Inc., will identify additional layers of APE, including but not limited to direct effects, visual effects, audible effects, and other indirect effects.

As a part of the third step in the Site Evaluation Process, GSA and DOS conducted a Feasibility Study at Fort Pickett that included an investigation of all known conditions on the property, including a review of known historic resources and prior cultural resource investigations. Please see Attachment 2 for the cultural resource section of the Feasibility Study. The Feasibility Study survey was limited to the subject parcels themselves, and GSA is aware that the APE will likely include areas located outside the boundaries of Fort Pickett. Additional identification and assessment efforts will be conducted as a part of the EIS and in consultation with your office and other consulting parties. A work plan developed by TEC, Inc., for the identification of and assessment of effects on archaeological resources for this undertaking is attached for your review and comment (Attachment 3).

At this time, GSA has identified a preliminary list of potential consulting parties we will be contacting with invitations to be consulting parties for this undertaking. Please see Attachment 4 for the list. We would welcome any additions to this list that your office may have. We assume that we will be adding consulting parties to this list via public outreach and interaction during the NEPA process, and that some invited parties will choose not to participate.

We look forward to working with your office on this undertaking. We would like to set up an early consultation meeting in the near future with your office, the cultural resource personnel from Fort Pickett, our consultant, and the ACHP to discuss the project, planned Section 106 approach and schedule, consulting parties, and the work plan for identification and assessment. Scoping for NEPA will commence with a public scoping meeting to be held October 18, 2011 from 6:30pm-8:30pm at the Blackstone Armory, 1008 Darvills Road, in Blackstone, Virginia. We assume that there will be additional outreach and interaction with the consulting parties throughout the process outside of the planned NEPA public involvement process.

If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (215) 446-4570 or donna.andrews@gsa.gov.

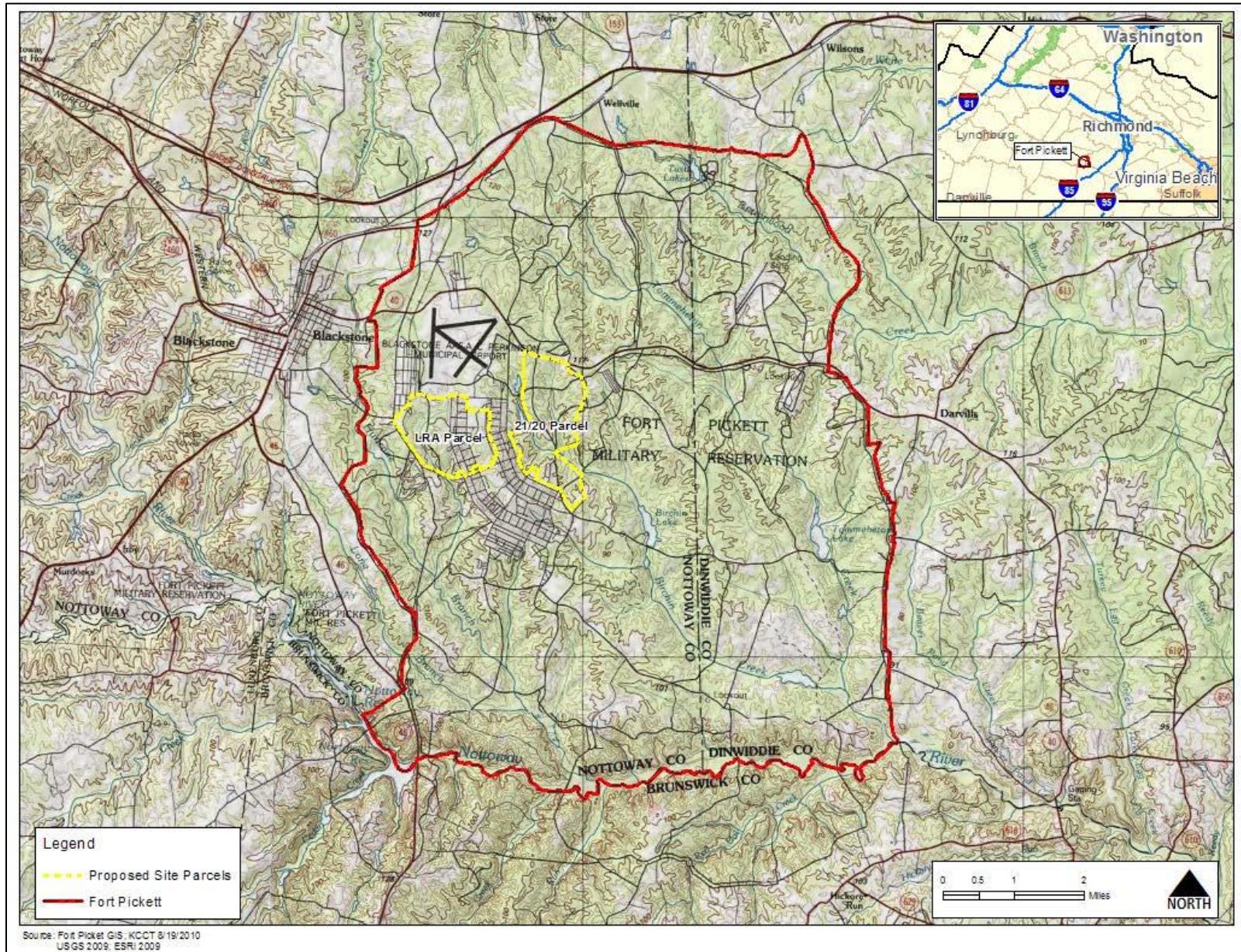
Sincerely,



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Acting Regional Historic Preservation Officer
Public Buildings Service

Cc: Ms. Kirsten Brinker Kulis – ACHP
Ms. Susan Smead – Virginia Army National Guard, Fort Pickett

Attachment 1 – Overview Map of Fort Pickett



Attachment 2 – Fort Pickett Feasibility Study, Cultural Resources Section

Cultural Resources

Cultural resources currently listed on, or potentially eligible for, nomination to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) constitute the focus of the following assessment of cultural resources. The eligibility of a cultural resource for the NRHP is dependent upon the resource's "...quality of significance in American history, architecture, archaeology, and culture present in districts, states, buildings, structures, and objects of state and local importance that possess integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association" (36 CFR §60.4). The cultural resource must have a level of significance that meets one or more of the Criteria for Evaluation established by 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 60.4 to be considered eligible for nomination to the NRHP.

A file and literature review through the Fort Pickett Cultural Resources Program and the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR) Data Sharing System was conducted by TEC Inc. cultural resources personnel for the 21/20 and LRA parcels within Fort Pickett in September 2010. Five investigations resulting in the recordation of cultural resources sites have been conducted within the two parcels, including two Phase I archaeological surveys and three architectural historic properties surveys (Table 3.29).

Fort Pickett and DHR records indicate that a historic district has been recorded in the 21/20 parcel. (Table 3.30) Within the LRA parcel five cultural resource sites and one historic district have been recorded previously. (Table 3.30)

The VAARNG has conducted a study of architectural resources at the Fort Pickett Post and has found that a historic district eligible for listing in the NRHP is not present because the site and structures have experienced a loss of integrity. VAARNG notified DHR of this finding and submitted a letter and supporting documentation, in accordance with Section 110 of the National Historic Preservation Act. On October 13, 2010, DHR signed a statement of concurrence that the historic district is not eligible for listing in the NRHP.

Camp Pickett is a component of the Fort Pickett historic district and encompasses

the entire Post. Camp Pickett was established in 1941. In 1974, the Post's name was changed to Fort Pickett. Camp Pickett includes 306 contributing buildings and structures and 110 noncontributing buildings across the entire existing Fort Pickett facility. The boundaries of historic Camp Pickett encompass both the entire 21/20 parcel and the entire LRA parcel. No known contributing or non-contributing historical and cultural resources are present within the 21/20 parcel. Several contributing and non-contributing resources are present within the LRA parcel.

Previously recorded cultural resources on the two parcels, and recommendations on eligibility for the NRHP, are listed in (Table 3.30).

Table 3.29 Previous Cultural Resource Investigations

Report Number	Year	Author	Title
LRA Parcel			
N/A	2009	Moffett, Simone	Architectural Survey Conducted at Fort Pickett, Blackstone, Virginia
N/A	1998	WMCAR	Phase I Archaeological Survey of Cantonment Area Excess Properties at Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia
N/A	1997	Botwick, Brad and Debra McClane	Phase I Archaeological Survey of Selected Locations in the Cantonment Area at Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia

Report Number	Year	Author	Title
NT-9	1995	WMCAR	Cultural Resource Assessment of Fort Pickett, Brunswick, Dinwiddie, and Nottoway Counties, Virginia
NT-8	1977	Godburn, Mary Cecilia	Historic Properties Survey, Fort Pickett, Virginia
21/20 Parcel			
N/A	2009	Moffett, Simone	Architectural Survey Conducted at Fort Pickett, Blackstone, Virginia
NT-9	1995	WMCAR	Cultural Resource Assessment of Fort Pickett, Brunswick, Dinwiddie, and Nottoway Counties, Virginia
NT-8	1977	Godburn, Mary Cecilia	Historic Properties Survey, Fort Pickett, Virginia

Previously recorded sites within the LRA parcel include historic military camps, historic farmsteads, and prehistoric camps. One of these sites (44NT0056) is multicomponent, consisting of a historic farmstead with a Woodland (prehistoric) component. This site and two other sites (44NT0045 and 44NT0072) are recommended potentially eligible for the NRHP.

According to an archaeological predictive model completed for Fort Pickett, the entire Post, including the 21/20 parcel and the LRA parcel is considered to have medium to high potential for containing buried cultural materials. Sites generally do not exhibit surface expression at Fort Pickett (VAARNG 2008:2-9). Soil types present within the 21/20 and LRA parcels are dominated by moderately well drained to well drained sandy loams and silty loams. This suggests a potential for subsurface archaeological resources, as these soils are ideal for the preservation of archaeological resources due to the fact that they are well drained and never flood or pond. The VAARNG's 2008 Integrated Cultural Resource Management Plan recommends additional archaeological investigation at facilities with medium to high potential for archaeological deposits (2008:2-37), which is the case for Fort Pickett at a facility level and generally appears to be the situation for the 21/20 and LRA parcels in particular. Much of the 21/20 and LRA parcels has already been tested in the Phase I surveys.

Potentially eligible archaeological sites would require additional evaluation in coordination with the State Historic Preservation Officer prior to any disturbance. Three identified archaeological sites that were recommended potentially eligible for the NRHP are shown in (Figure 3.31).

It is recommended that further mandatory investigation of archaeological resources within the 21/20 and LRA parcels prior to the initiation of ground disturbing activities in areas that have not yet been tested. The purpose of further investigation would be to determine not only the presence or absence of previously unknown cultural resources subject to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, but also to evaluate any previously

Cultural Resources (continued)

unknown resources with regard to NRHP eligibility. The Virginia DHR, VAARNG Cultural Resource Manager, and contractor will work in conjunction to determine whether investigations might include Phase I survey of areas within each parcel with a medium to high potential for subsurface archaeological resources that have not been previously tested, and/or possible Phase II survey for sites determined potentially eligible in previous Phase I surveys. It is recommended that the Virginia DHR and VAARNG Cultural Resource Manager be consulted with regard to specific survey methods and locations that warrant further investigation within each parcel, as well as any associated avoidance, protection, and/or mitigation measures that may result from the discovery of previously unknown cultural resources.

Table 3.30 Known Cultural Resources Site and/ or Districts

Site Number	Site Type	NRHP Recommendation	Author & Date Recorded	Additional Comments
LRA Parcel				
44NT0045	Historic Military Camp	Potentially Eligible	Botwick & McClane 1997	Archaeological Resource; WWII-era tent camp w/ intact features and few artifacts present
44NT0046	Historic Farmstead	Not eligible	WMCAR 1998	Archaeological Resource; Heavily disturbed with some artifacts present.
44NT0056	Multicomponent – Historic Farmstead / Woodland	Potentially eligible	WMCAR 1998	Archaeological Resource; Minor to moderate disturbance with intact features and artifacts present
44NT0071	Woodland Camp	Not eligible	WMCAR 1998	Archaeological Resource; Minor disturbance with artifacts present
44NT0072	Woodland Camp	Potentially eligible	WMCAR 1998	Archaeological Resource; Minor disturbance with subsurface integrity - deeply buried prehistoric deposits
067-0110	Camp Pickett – Fort Pickett Historic District	Determined Not eligible	Versar 2010, Moffett 2009, WMCAR 1995, Godburn 1977	Facility-Wide Historic Resource; Total Associated Resources Facility-Wide: 306 Contributing (304 Contributing Buildings, 2 Contributing Structures) 110 Noncontributing (110 Noncontributing Buildings)
21/20 Parcel				
067-0110	Camp Pickett – Fort Pickett Historic District	Determined Not eligible	Versar 2010, Moffett 2009, WMCAR 1995, Godburn 1977	Facility-Wide Historic Resource; Total Associated Resources Facility-Wide: 306 Contributing (304 Contributing Buildings, 2 Contributing Structures) 110 Noncontributing No known contributing or noncontributing resources within 21/20 parcel.

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Attachment 3 – Archaeological Investigations Work Plan



Work Plan for Phase I Survey and Phase II Identification

Archaeological Investigations at Fort Pickett Virginia Army National Guard Installation

Blackstone, Nottoway County, Virginia

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INTRODUCTION

TEC Inc., under contract to General Services Administration (GSA) will be conducting Phase I Survey and Phase II Evaluation at the Army National Guard (ANG) Fort Pickett in Blackstone, Nottoway County, Virginia (Figure 1). The Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the survey consists of approximately 810 acres (327.8 hectares) located within the LRA and 21/20 parcels at Fort Pickett. There are currently two build alternatives under consideration for the project, Build Alternative 1 and Build Alternative 2 (Figures 2 and 3). The areas of disturbance vary between the two alternatives, and the greatest extent of proposed disturbance will be surveyed.

The project acreage is based on the amount of land within these two parcels that is usable based on project needs, minus previously disturbed, steep slope (greater than 15%), and previously surveyed areas. The Phase I survey will focus on locating and identifying archaeological resources that are eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Phase II Evaluations will be conducted on three previously identified sites on the LRA parcel, Sites 44NT045, 44NT056, and 44NT072 (Figure 4).

Phase I Survey and Phase II Evaluation will be conducted in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), as amended, and its implementing regulations, 36 Code of Federal Regulations 800: Protection of Historic Properties; the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974; the *Guidelines for Conducting Cultural Resource Survey in Virginia* (Virginia Department of Historic Resources [VA DHR] 1999), and the Department of Military Affairs (DMA) *Standard Operating Procedure No. 6 for Conducting Archaeological Surveys*, *Standard Operating Procedure No. 7 for Curation Guidelines*, and *Standard Operating Procedure No. 8 for Archaeological Site Testing and Evaluation*.

I. PHASE I IDENTIFICATION SURVEY

Phase I survey will be conducted on approximately 810 acres of property on the LRA and 21/20 parcels at Fort Pickett (Figures 2 and 3). Phase I field investigations, lab work, and report production will follow the VA DHR Guidelines and DMA Standard Operating Procedures for archaeological testing. Deviations from these guidelines may be made in the field investigations as situations warrant, in consultation with the Fort Pickett Cultural Resources Program Manager and with the VA DHR, if necessary. All deviations and reasons for any changes will be detailed in project reportage.

A deviation agreed upon on September 21st between TEC and the Fort Pickett Cultural Resources Program Manager will change the requirement for the use of a grid coordinate system for recording shovel test pit (STP) locations to the use of a hand held GPS unit. Each STP location will be recorded utilizing the GPS unit and will be plotted on project mapping in GIS.

No other deviations have been agreed upon at this time.

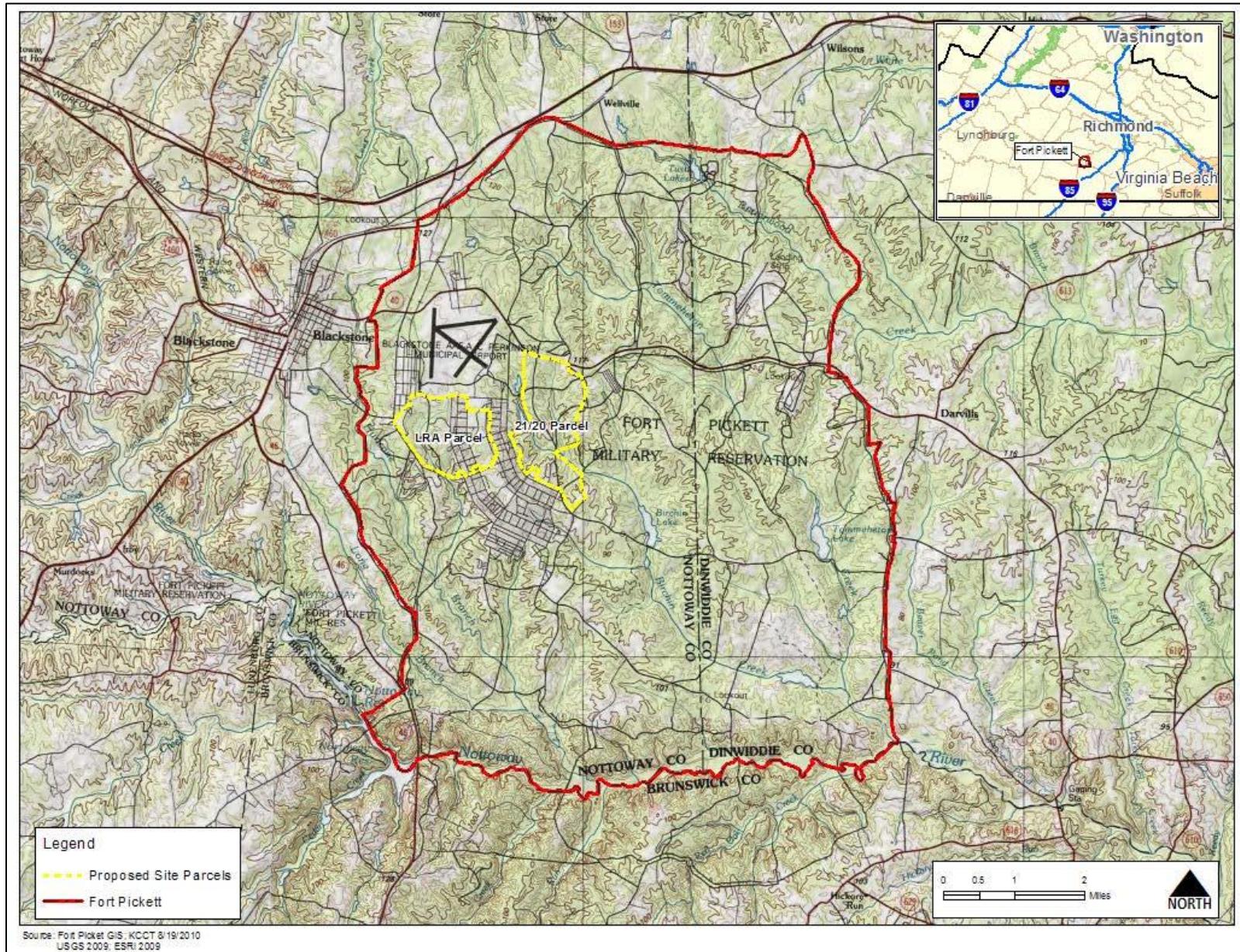


Figure 1. Proposed Project Area in Fort Pickett

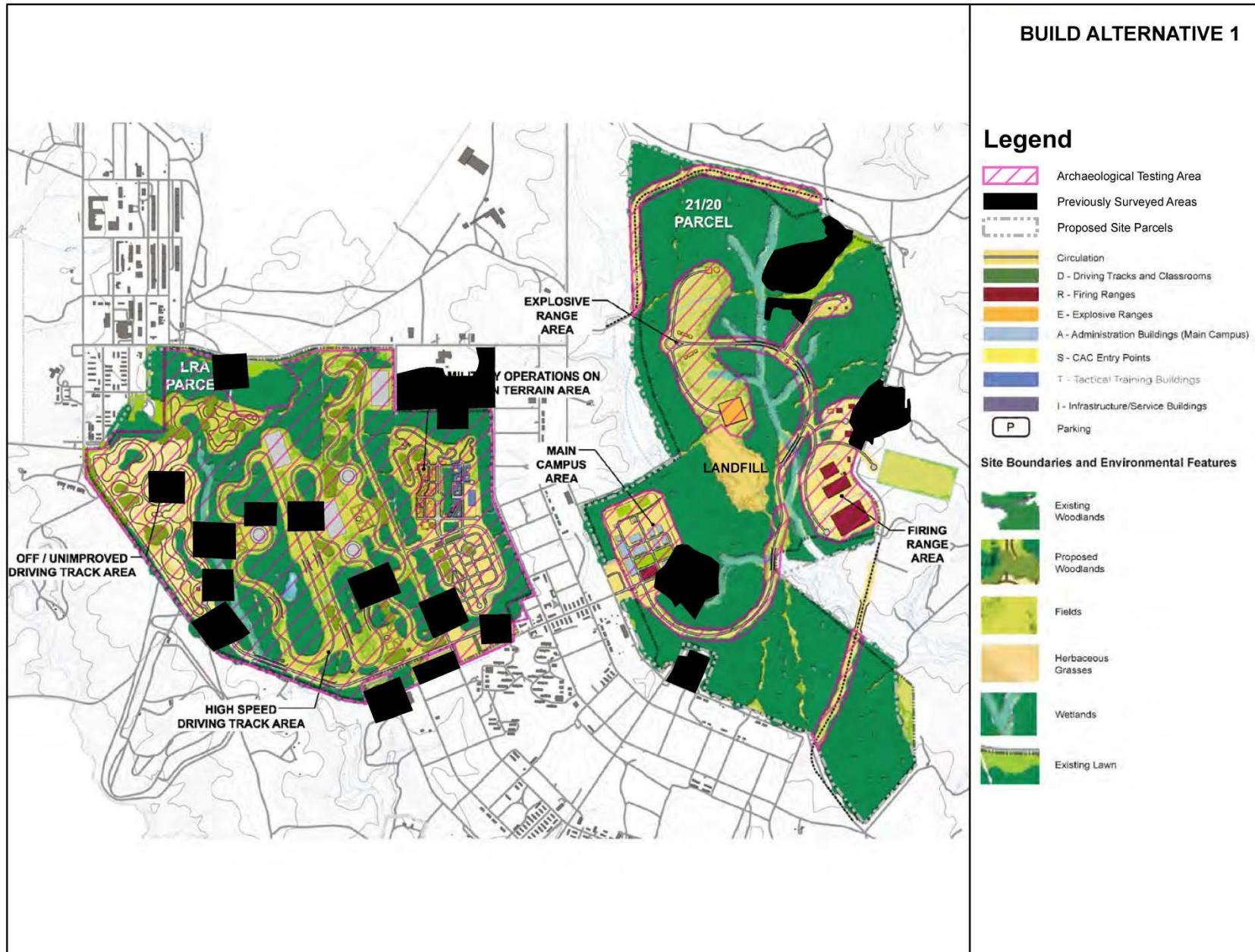


Figure 2. Proposed Project Area Showing Archaeological Testing for Phase I Survey, Alternative 1

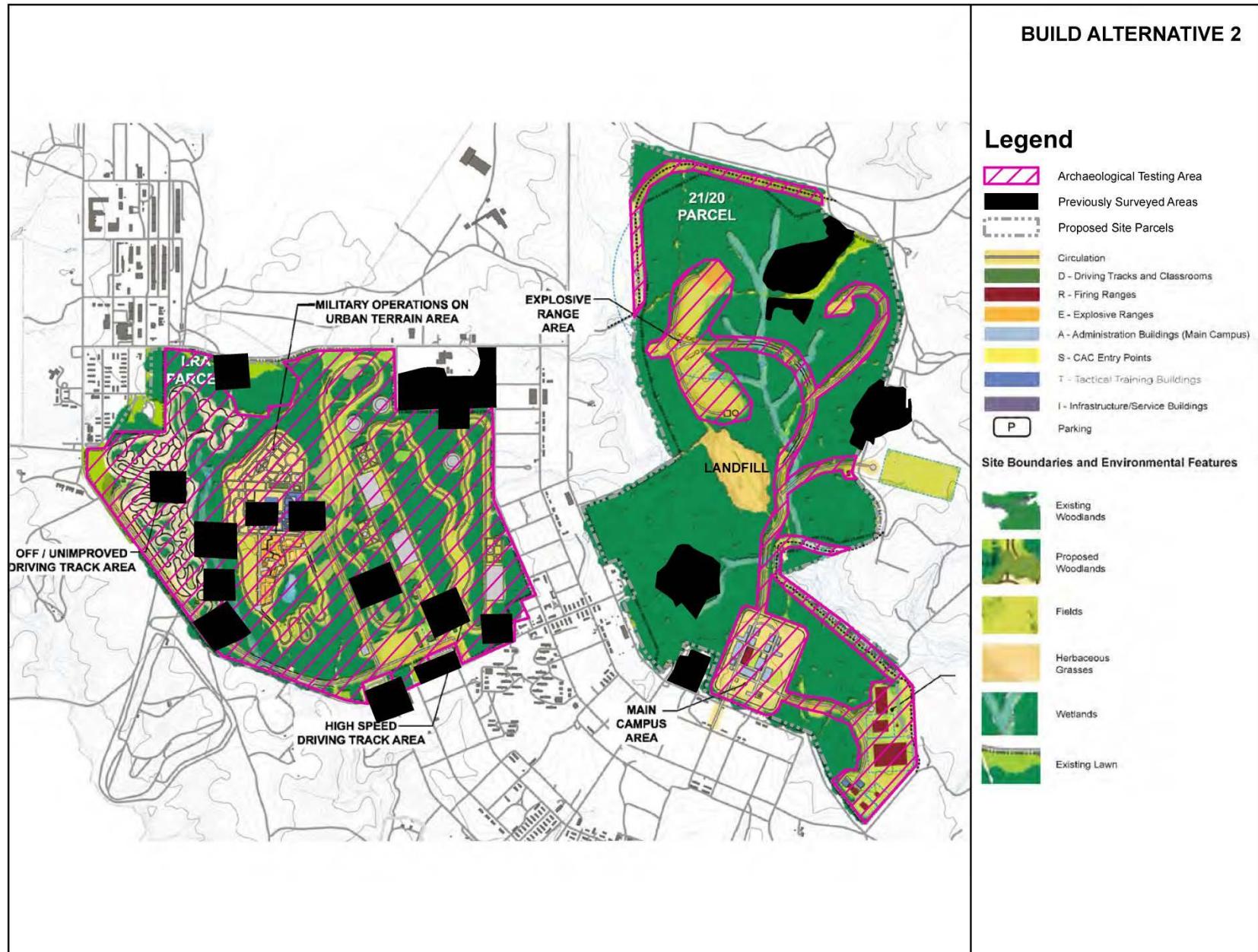


Figure 3. Proposed Project Area Showing Archaeological Testing for Phase I Survey, Alternative 1

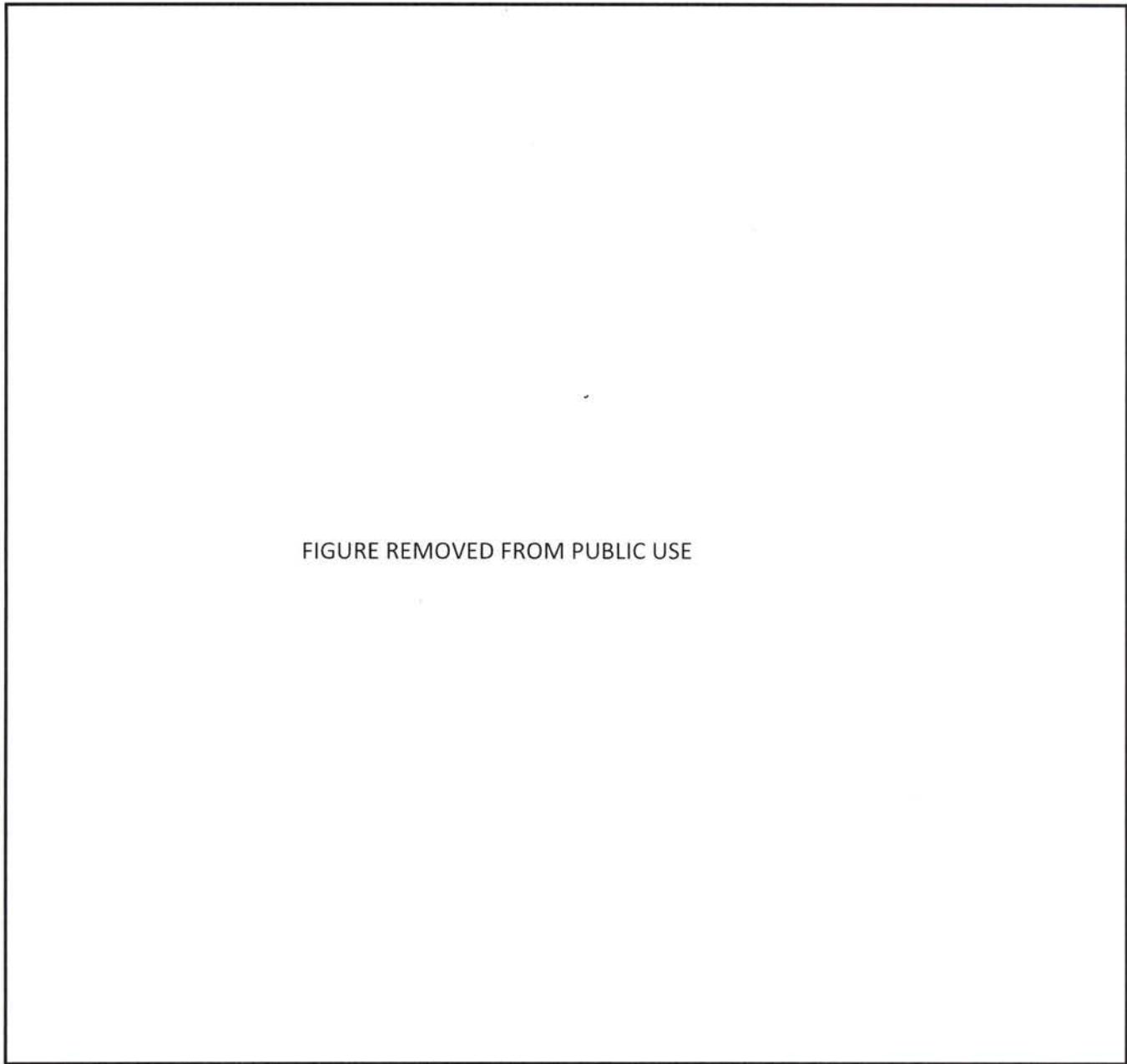


Figure 4. Aerial view of the LRA Parcel at Fort Pickett, showing the Phase II archaeological sites

PHASE II EVALUATION

Phase II evaluations will be performed at three sites previously identified through surveys on the LRA parcel. Work effort for these three sites will be presented below. Additional sites may be discovered during the current Phase I survey. GSA will attempt to avoid any sites discovered during the Phase I; however, if avoidance is not feasible, workplans will be completed for Phase II evaluation of these sites and submitted to the VA DHR and VAANG for approval.

A. SITE 44NT045

Site 44NT045 is a portion of a World War II-era tent camp, discovered by Gray & Pape in 1997. Features at the site consist of concrete pads of differing sizes. Two of the features, believed to be mess buildings, and four other features appear to correspond to buildings at the site on a period map. Additional concrete features that do not correspond to known structures on the historic map were also discovered during the survey. Over 190 STPs were placed at the site during the Phase I survey; however, only eleven artifacts were recovered, none of them reflecting significant association with camp features. The site was recommended for Phase II evaluation to determine its research potential and its significance as a military/training site.

Due to the limited number of artifacts recovered from the STPs placed at the site during the Phase I Survey, it is unlikely that additional artifacts would be discovered through further shovel testing. Research potential related to this site will likely be obtained through examination of archival records and comparison of these records to the camp layout. Additional background research will be completed to obtain information on the history and layout of Site 44NT045. Maps, files, installation records, and other documents pertaining to the location of built features will be used to compare the documented remains at the site in an attempt to identify individual buildings. Research will be conducted on the general layout and functions of World War II-era camps. Layout of the camp will be compared to the typical layout of training camps of this period. Research may also assist in the identification of military units that may have utilized the camp facility. Sources for additional information may include photographs, maps, aerial photos, diaries, soil surveys, letters, official Army standards and guidelines, and other Army records.

The site will be cleared of obstructing vegetation and a grid system will be established. TEC will attempt to rediscover each of the features associated with the camp that were previously mapped and will determine if any additional features are located on the site. Each of the features will be mapped in with a transit and located on project mapping. The location of site features and comparison to historic maps may provide spatial information on the arrangement of field camps of this type.

The camp site will be metal detected in order to determine if any previously undiscovered metal objects are located at the site, including buttons, coins, bullets, or soldier's personal items. In addition, this survey will attempt to identify any undiscovered features containing metal objects, such as trash or latrine pits. All metal objects and/or features identified during the metal detector survey will be mapped utilizing a transit. A 50% sample of metal detector hits will be excavated and a 25% sample of features discovered through the metal detecting will be excavated.

B. SITE 44NT056

Site 44NT056 is a multicomponent site located by William and Mary Center for Archaeological Research (WMCAR). The site contains the foundations of a late nineteenth/early twentieth century house, standing outbuildings, and a small Woodland period campsite. Artifacts recovered from Site 44NT056 included two quartz debitage and a cord-marked Woodland period ceramic as well as historic ceramics, glass, brick, and nails.

Potential research issues for this site related to the historic occupation of the site include information regarding the farm's occupants, social and economic status, and comparison of artifacts to other similar sites in the area. Answers to these issues will attempt to add to the knowledge of subsistence level farmsteads in post-Civil War southern Piedmont Virginia. Prehistoric issues will relate mainly to determining the further research potential of the site in light of the low artifact density. Some of the main issues include the following:

- Was the farm occupied and run by lower class white tenant farmers or does the property represent an African-American post-Civil War farmstead?
- How is the socio-economic standing of the property's occupants reflected in the artifactual deposits? How do these deposits compare with other local properties of the same economic level and class?
- How do the artifacts compare with collections of urban, higher-income and higher-class properties of the same time in southern Piedmont Virginia (ie. Dietary refuse, personal objects)?

Additional background research will be completed to obtain information related to the historic portion of the site. Census, tax, and court records and deed research may identify the occupants of the property, their economic status, and uses of the property, as well as perhaps the types of crops being grown there in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Collections and reports from local properties of the period will be compared to determine similarities and differences.

Due to the fact that no radial STPs were completed during the Phase I survey of the site, additional STPs will be placed to attempt to better define the horizontal limits of the site and to potentially add to the number of prehistoric artifacts previously recovered. TEC will attempt to determine the location of the Phase I STPs, grid system, or datum so that the STPs can be supplemented; however, based on the amount of time since the Phase I survey was completed, it is possible the original testing pattern will not be identifiable. Should the original grid system be unidentifiable, TEC will establish a new grid system. It is anticipated that a maximum of 24 additional STPs will be placed at the site. Should no significant additional prehistoric artifacts be recovered from the site, testing of the prehistoric component of Site 44NT056 will be complete.

The possibility of intact sub-plowzone historic deposits exists at the site, and test units (TUs) will be placed to attempt to define the nineteenth century living surface and discover any possible features. Two 1 x 1 meter test units will be placed in the vicinity of the house foundation in order to potentially determine building techniques and the presence/absence of a cellar hole. Additional artifacts will be collected to try to further refine the dates of occupation of the house. Additional test units (up to 6) will be placed at the discretion of the field director in order to test

other features of the farm yard. In addition, should prehistoric artifacts be recovered from any of the radial STPs in greater concentrations, up to 4- 1 x 1 meter units may be placed to attempt to better define the vertical and horizontal limits of the prehistoric site and to supplement the collection of prehistoric artifacts.

TUs will be excavated in 10-cm levels within natural strata. Soil will be screened through ¼-inch hardware cloth to enhance recovery of artifacts. Data will be recorded on TU level forms (indicating at a minimum the top and bottom elevations, soil texture, Munsell soil color, degree of disturbance, and associated artifacts). Forms will include reference data for photographs, plans, profiles, and samples (e.g., ¹⁴C, flotation). In addition, detailed narrative notes concerning aspects of the excavations (e.g., methods, field conditions, in-field analysis and interpretation) will be made by supervisory staff. Photographs of TU profiles and features will be taken. Photographs will be recorded on a photograph log that documents the roll and frame number, film speed, direction, and description of the photograph.

Should features be located during the excavations, they will be numbered sequentially. A representative sample of features will be excavated (up to 18 historic and 12 prehistoric). Detailed documentation of features will include photographs and maps in both plan and profile views, and descriptions of each feature's shape and dimensions, contents/inclusions, soil texture and color, artifacts, samples, and interpretation/feature type. Feature profiles will be mapped and photographed, and the remaining feature matrix removed and screened. Samples may be retained for flotation should necessity warrant.

C. SITE 44NT072

Site 44NT072 is a Middle to Late Woodland Period camp site identified by WMCAR. The site is located on a broad ridge nose sitting above a small springhead and an unnamed tributary of Hurricane Branch. Artifacts were recovered from two STPs and include two quartz debitage and one sherd of sand or grit-tempered Woodland ceramic. Soil profiles of the site indicate that there is the potential for intact cultural deposits underlying the historic plowzone. The site was considered by WMCAR to be potentially eligible for the NRHP under Criterion D.

Due to the fact that no radial STPs were completed during the Phase I survey of the site, additional STPs will be placed to attempt to better define the limits of the site and to potentially add to the number of prehistoric artifacts previously recovered. TEC will attempt to determine the location of the Phase I STPs, grid system, or datum so that the STPs can be supplemented; however, based on the amount of time since the Phase I survey was completed, it is possible the original testing pattern will not be identifiable. Should the original grid system be unidentifiable, TEC will establish a new grid system. It is anticipated that a maximum of 12 additional STPs will be placed at the site. Should no significant additional artifacts be recovered from the site, testing at Site 44NT072 will be complete.

Should additional artifacts be recovered from the site, the STPs will be supplemented with test units. Up to 4- 1 x 1 meter units may be placed to attempt to better define the vertical and horizontal limits of the prehistoric site and to supplement the collection of prehistoric artifacts. TUs measuring 1x1 meter square will be excavated in 10-cm levels within natural strata. Soil

will be screened through ¼-inch hardware cloth to enhance recovery of artifacts. Data will be recorded on TU level forms (indicating at a minimum the top and bottom elevations, soil texture, Munsell soil color, degree of disturbance, and associated artifacts). Forms will include reference data for photographs, plans, profiles, and samples (e.g., ¹⁴C, flotation). In addition, detailed narrative notes concerning aspects of the excavations (e.g., methods, field conditions, in-field analysis and interpretation) will be made by supervisory staff. Photographs of TU profiles and features will be taken. Photographs will be recorded on a photograph log that documents the roll and frame number, film speed, direction, and description of the photograph.

Should features be located during the excavations, they will be numbered sequentially. A representative sample of features will be excavated (up to 10). Detailed documentation of features will include photographs and maps in both plan and profile views, and descriptions of each feature's shape and dimensions, contents/inclusions, soil texture and color, artifacts, samples, and interpretation/feature type. Feature profiles will be mapped and photographed, and the remaining feature matrix removed and screened. Samples may be retained for flotation should necessity warrant.

Potential research issues will focus mainly on determining the further potential of the site in light of the low artifact density recovered from the Phase I survey. Information derived from these excavations will add to the known data on inter-riverine settlement patterns during the Middle and Late Woodland Periods.

Attachment 4 – Preliminary List of Potential Consulting Parties

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Chief	Gene	Adkins		Chickahominy Indians – Eastern Division
Chief	Carl	Custalow		Mattaponi Indian Tribe
Chief	Sharon	Bryant		Monacan Indian Nation
Chief	Barry W.	Bass		Nansemond Indian Tribe
Chief	Kevin	Brown		Pamunkey Tribe
Chief	G. Anne	Richardson		Rappahannock Tribe
Chief	Kenneth	Adams		Upper Mattaponi Indian Tribe
Chief	Bill	Harris		Catawba Indian Nation
Dr.	Wenonah G.	Haire	THPO and Director	Catawba Cultural Preservation Project
Mr.	Clint	Halftower	Nation Representative	Cayuga Nation of Indians
Mr.	S. Joe	Crittenden	Acting Principal Chief	Cherokee Nation
Mr.	Michell	Hicks	Principal Chief	Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Mr.	Russell	Townsend	THPO	Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Chief	George	Wickliffe		United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians
Chief	Leo R.	Henry		Tuscarora Nation of New York
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Mr.	W. Kevin	Massengill	Administrator	Dinwiddie County
Mr.	William D.	Coleburn	Mayor	Town of Blackstone
Mr.	Robert	Nieweg	Director & Regional Attorney	National Trust for Historic Preservation
Ms.	Susan	Smead	Cultural Resources Program Manager	VA Dept. of Military Affairs-VA Army National Guard
Ms.	Elizabeth	Kostelný	Executive Director	Virginia National Guard Historical Society
Ms.	Lucia	Malone	President	APVA/Preservation Virginia
Mr.	Lafayette	Dickens	Executive Director	Nottoway County Historical Association
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				Downtown Blackstone Incorporated

October 6, 2011

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Re: Notification of Change in Undertaking
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Dear Ms. Kulis:

I would like to formally inform the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation of a change in the above-referenced undertaking. In 2009 and 2010 the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and the Department of State (DOS) considered the acquisition of a parcel of land for a Foreign Affairs Security Training Center (FASTC) at the Hunt Ray and Crismer Farms in Queen Anne's County, Maryland. Pursuit of the property in Queen Anne's County, Maryland, was abandoned in June 2010. Since that time, GSA and DOS have conducted a new four-step site evaluation process and identified a potential site in Nottoway County, Virginia. GSA will soon be initiating Section 106 consultation with the Virginia Department of Historic Resources for this revised undertaking.

If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (215) 446-4570 or donna.andrews@gsa.gov.

Sincerely,



Donna Andrews
Acting Regional Historic Preservation Officer
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**Ref: Proposed U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Diplomatic Security
Foreign Affairs Security Training Center (FASTC)
Ruthsburg, Queen Anne's County, Maryland**

Dear Ms. Andrews:

On January 6, 2010, upon receipt of your invitation to participate in consultation on the referenced project, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) requested more information from you, to determine whether our participation in consultation was warranted. On October 6, 2011, we received your notification that the undertaking changed, and that the proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center would not be constructed in Queen Anne's County, Maryland.

Your notification advised that a new site in Nottoway County, Virginia, was recently identified for this undertaking, and you copied the ACHP on your consultation initiation letter to the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (Virginia SHPO), dated October 6, 2011. As the General Services Administration (GSA) continues their efforts to identify historic properties and assess adverse effects at the new site, in accordance with Section 800.3(f) of our regulations, "Protection of Historic Properties" (36 CFR Part 800), please advise the ACHP if the revised undertaking will adversely affect historic properties.

Thank you for providing us with your notification on the revised plans for this undertaking, and for your efforts to avoid the adverse effects associated with the initial site. We have copied Ms. Elizabeth Cole, Maryland Historical Trust (Maryland SHPO)

and Ms. Beth Savage, Federal Preservation Officer, GSA, on this correspondence. If you have any questions or require our further assistance, please contact Ms. Kirsten Kulis, GSA Liaison, at 202-606-8517 or via e-mail at kkulis@achp.gov.

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Re: Land Acquisition and Development at Fort Pickett by the Department of State Foreign Affairs Security Training Center
Nottoway County, Virginia
DHR File No. 2010-1921

Dear Ms. Andrews,

On October 7, 2011, the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR) received information regarding the above-referenced project for our review and comment pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. The project is partially funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), but GSA will assume lead agency responsibilities under Section 106.

DHR understands that the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and the Department of State (DOS) are proposing to acquire and develop a parcel of land for a Foreign Security Affairs Training Center (FASTC) at Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia. The FASTC will provide training for a variety of law enforcement and security disciplines managed by the DOS Bureau of Diplomatic Security. The FASTC is expected to train 8,000-10,000 students per year and include training such as driving tracks, firing ranges, mock urban training, and explosives ranges, as well as classrooms, simulation labs, fitness center, and support facilities such as administrative offices, dormitories, dining hall, and emergency response facilities.

GSA intends to use 36 CFR 800.8(c), which allows a federal agency to use the process and documentation required for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Record of Decision (ROD) to comply with Section 106. Thank you for notifying DHR of GSA's intent to use this provision in the regulations. We concur with your proposed Area of Potential Effects (APE) with the understanding that additional layers will be identified as identification and scoping efforts commence with regards to direct and indirect effects.

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As you know, the Fort Pickett Historic District (DHR ID#067-0110) was recommended as not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) by our staff in October 2010. Please keep in mind that as the additional layers of APE's develop for this project, to consider the other historic properties in the vicinity that may have the potential for effects.

We received for review the report, *Work Plan for Phase I Survey and Phase II Identification - Archaeological Investigations at Fort Pickett Virginia Army National Guard Installation, Blackstone, Nottoway County, Virginia*, prepared by TEC, Inc. in September 2011. The report states that the identification and evaluation efforts will be conducted in a manner consistent with federal and state standards and guidelines. Please note that our guidelines for survey were recently updated in October 2011. You may find our updated *Guidelines for Cultural Resources Survey in Virginia* on our website at: http://www.dhr.virginia.gov/pdf_files/Survey%20Manual-RevOct.2011Final.pdf.

With respect to the evaluation procedures, the work plan states, for example, that a representative number of features (up to 10) shall be excavated. We wish to add the caution that evaluation stops at the point when eligibility can be demonstrated. Some limited testing may be necessary to determine if the features are cultural in nature. Depending on the size of the feature, it may be preferable to bisect it and excavate only half rather than excavating the entire feature in order determine eligibility.

We also concur with your preliminary list of consulting parties and your approach to identifying additional parties; however we suggest you first contact the Virginia Council on Indians (VCI) through its staffer, Deanna Beacham. Three additional tribes are now members of the VCI, including the Cheroenhaka (Nottoway), the Nottoway and the Patawomeck. Please see the attached link, <http://indians.vipnet.org/tribes.cfm>.

We'd be happy to participate in a meeting to discuss this project at your earliest convenience. As soon you have possible dates in mind, please contact me so we can coordinate schedules. Should you have any additional questions, please contact me at (804) 482-6084, or via email at andrea.kampinen@dhr.virginia.gov.

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Dear Ms. Kampinen:

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and the Department of State (DOS) are proposing to acquire and develop a parcel of land for a Foreign Affairs Security Training Center (FASTC). GSA is the lead agency for Section 106 consultation for this project.

GSA initiated Section 106 consultation with your office in October 2011. Since that time, GSA's cultural resource consultant, Cardo TEC Inc., (formerly TEC, Inc.), has been conducting studies to determine the Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the proposed undertaking and to identify any historic properties located within the APE. This submission contains the results of those studies. Another submission will be made later this year detailing the assessment of effects on historic properties.

Currently, work continues on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and on the master planning effort for the facility. There are two build alternatives being studied in the EIS for this undertaking. As the master plan has developed and technical studies prepared for the EIS have begun to return results, the property being sought for the facility has changed in configuration. In October, the project area being studied included two parcels of land: LRA Parcel 9, consisting of 750 acres of land, and 21/20, consisting of 900 acres of land. Since October, 238 acres of land on the 21/20 parcel were retracted by the Virginia Army National Guard (VAARNG) and are no longer available for the development of FASTC. In order to maintain a property of sufficient size for the undertaking, GSA and DOS pursued other land options within Fort Pickett. Nottoway County has made available LRA Parcel 10, a 135 acre parcel of land located west of LRA Parcel 9. Use of LRA Parcel 10 is considered in Build Alternative 2. Please see Attachment 1 for the current build alternatives. These build alternatives are still subject to change as the EIS and master planning processes continue.

Included in this package are two reports prepared by GSA's consultant, Cardno TEC Inc. The *Phase I Archaeological Survey and Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia* details the results of the archaeological survey and the *Phase II Architectural Survey and Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia* details the findings of the above-ground resources survey.

As a result of these investigations, GSA has determined that site 44NT0072 is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion D. Seven potentially eligible archaeological sites were identified; additional investigation is necessary to determine their eligibility if they cannot be avoided by the proposed undertaking. No eligible above-ground resources were identified.

Of the eight archaeological sites determined eligible or potentially eligible for listing on the National Register, the design team believes that six can be avoided and left undisturbed by the proposed undertaking. For the two that cannot be avoided, GSA intends to conduct Phase II investigations to determine the National Register eligibility of the sites in the coming months. As of now, the two sites identified where impacts will be unavoidable are 44NT0207 and 44NT0218. Both of these sites are historic homesteads and are described in detail in the included report. Should changes to the build alternatives result in other sites being impacted, GSA will conduct similar investigations in consultation with your office.

In October and November of 2011 GSA contacted the public and potential interested and consulting parties in writing and at a public scoping meeting held on October 18, 2011 in Blackstone, Virginia. There are currently four consulting parties for this undertaking: the Catawba Indian Nation, the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians, the Virginia Council on Indians, and the Virginia Department of Military Affairs / VAARNG. The consulting parties are copied on this and all correspondence and reports. GSA is grateful to the consulting parties for their participation and looks forward to their comments.

If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (215) 446-4570 or donna.andrews@gsa.gov.

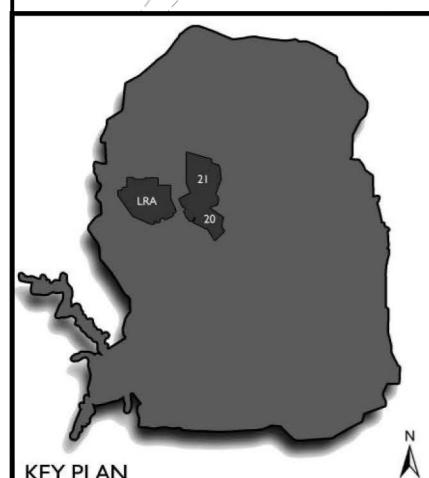
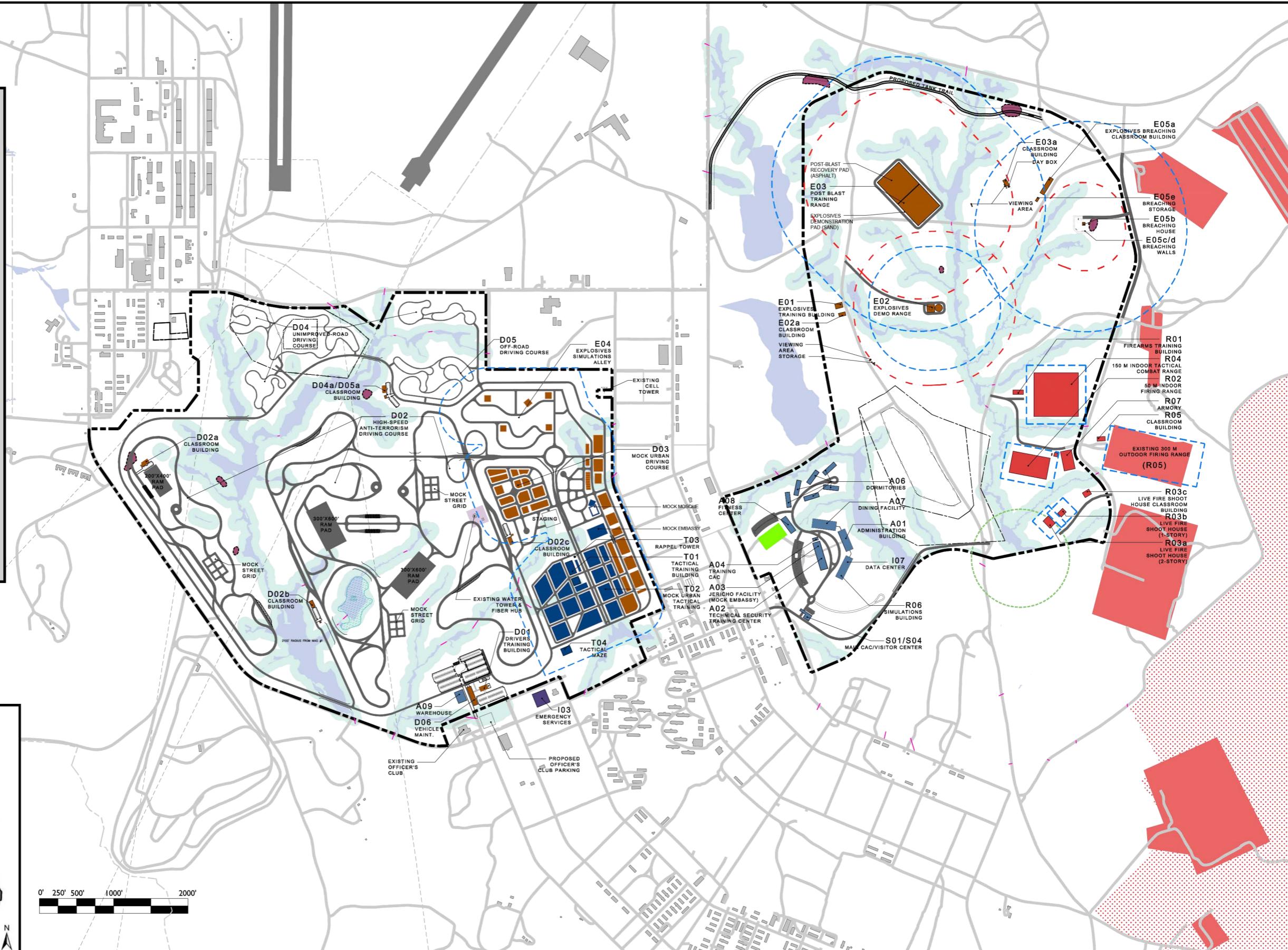
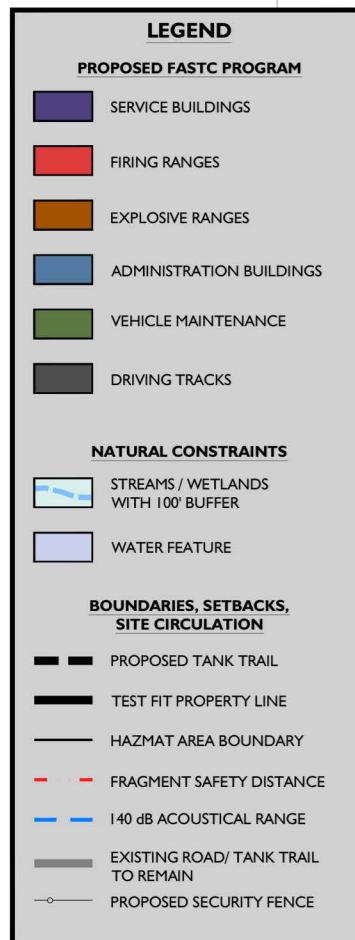
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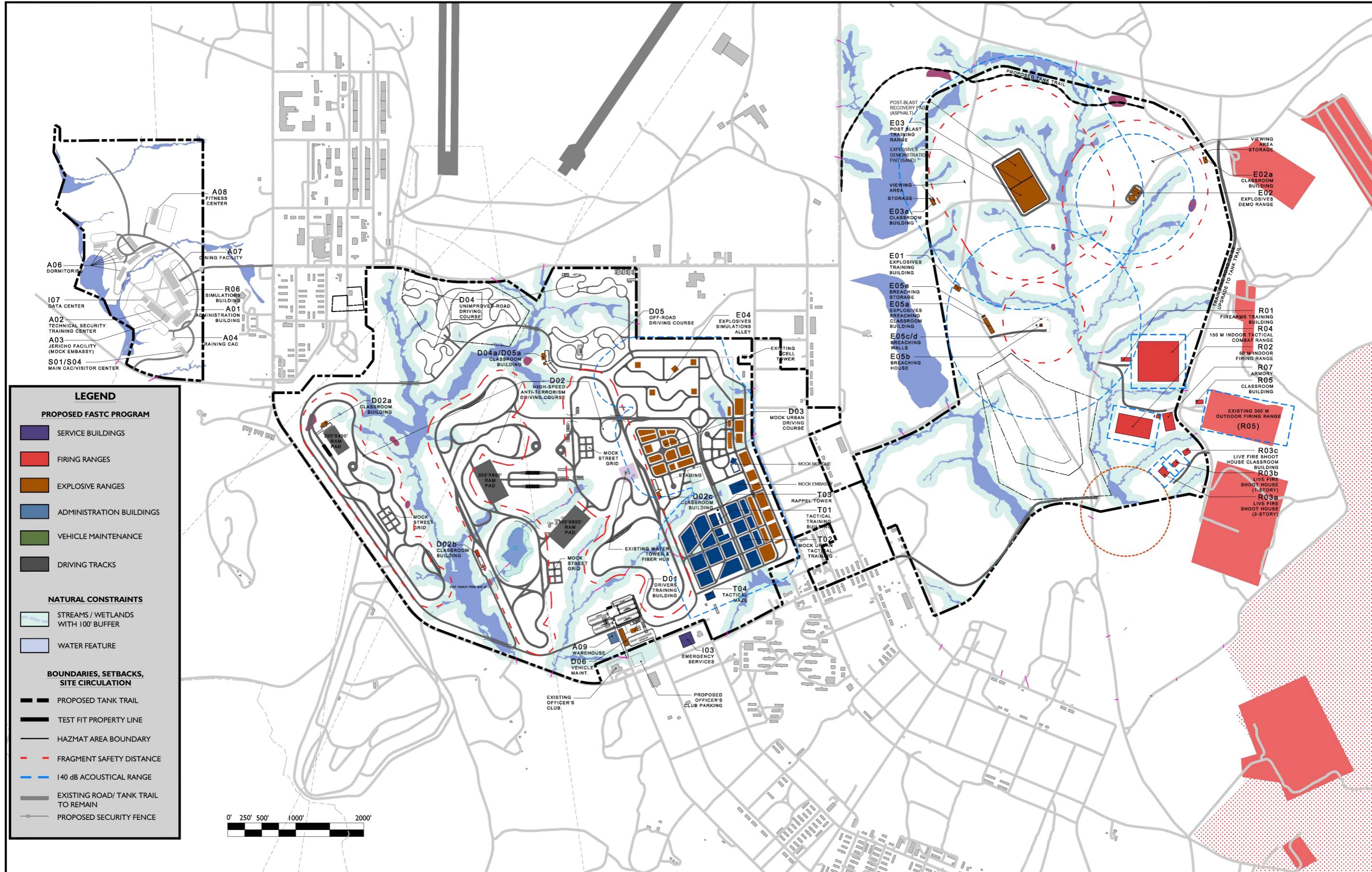


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Attachment 1 – Current Build Alternatives





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Nottoway County, Virginia
DHR File No. 2010-1921

Dear Ms. Andrews,

On June 4, 2012, the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR) received information regarding the above-referenced project for our review and comment pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. DHR understands that the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and the Department of State (DOS) are proposing to acquire and develop a parcel of land for a Foreign Security Affairs Training Center (FASTC) at Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia. The FASTC will provide training for a variety of law enforcement and security disciplines managed by the DOS Bureau of Diplomatic Security. The project is partially funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), but GSA will assume lead agency responsibilities under Section 106.

Following GSA's initiation of Section 106 consultation in October 2011, DHR understands that the property being sought for the facility has changed in configuration. Instead of acquiring two (2) parcels - Parcel 9 (750 acres) and Parcel 21/20 (900 acres) - the project will still acquire 750 acres of Parcel 9, but will only acquire 662 acres of Parcel 21/20, and is considering an additional 135 acres of Parcel 10, located just west of Parcel 9. The two Build Alternatives being evaluated in the EIS incorporate these updated parcel configurations.

Architectural Resources

We have received for review the report, *Phase II Architectural Survey and Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia*, prepared by Cardno TEC in May 2012. We pleased to report that the survey forms met our Data Sharing System (DSS) Quality Control Standards on June 12, 2012.

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As you know, the Fort Pickett Historic District (DHR ID#067-0110) was recommended as not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) by our staff in October 2010. Of the 442 previously surveyed resources at Fort Pickett, 75 are within or adjacent to Parcel 9, 24 are adjacent to Parcel 10, and none are within or adjacent to Parcel 21/20. Within Parcel 9, the Officer's Open Dining Building No. 1615(DHR ID#067-0110-0001) was previously determined eligible for listing in the NRHP. There are no previously surveyed properties that are determined eligible within Parcel 10, or Parcel 21/20.

The intensive-level surveyed within the APE for direct effects identified three newly recorded buildings and two newly recorded structures. Located within Parcel 9, the three buildings – Building No. 396 (DHR ID#067-0110-0417), Building No. 873 (DHR ID#067-0110-0419) and Building No. 1112/1152 (DHR ID#067-0110-0420) – and one structure – Water Tower Facility No. 664 (DHR ID#067-0110-0418) – are recommended not individually eligible for listing in the VLR/NRHP and DHR concurs. Additionally, within Parcel 10, a Concrete Box Culvert (DHR ID#067-5034) is recommended not individually eligible and DHR concurs. No buildings or structures were identified within the boundaries of Parcel 21/20.

In regards to the additional “windshield survey” conducted along Military Road and West Entrance Road, we are unable to get a sense of what is located along those corridors and request that the consultant produce a table detailing the inventory of the previously surveyed resources and the additional streetscape photos along the corridors. Please make sure the table includes the name, DHR ID#, year built, brief description, and recommendation of eligibility as recorded in DSS. Please also include the corresponding maps showing the locations of the previously identified resources within the APE along these two corridors. For the streetscape photos, please no more than two photos per page and include the direction and location the photograph was taken.

Archaeological Resources

We have received for review the report, *Draft Phase I Archaeological Survey and Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia*, prepared by Kimberly M. Sebestyen, M.A., et al. of Cardno TEC in May 2012. We are pleased to inform you that the report meets the federal *Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archeology and Historic Preservation* (48 FR 44716-44742, September 1983) and our state *Guidelines for Conducting Cultural Resource Survey in Virginia* (rev. 2011). Please see our comments regarding archaeological properties below:

Identification (Phase I) Survey. The survey resulted in the identification of sixteen (16) previously unknown archaeological sites. Based upon the results of the survey, we concur with the consultant's recommendations as presented in Table 34 on page 290 (see attached) with one exception: the Tank Trail 3, site 44NT0220. It is described as a small historic period artifact scatter located approximately 700 feet west of site 44NT0219 and the soils are reported to be somewhat disturbed. While the Tank Trail 3 Site may not be individually eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), we recommend that the evaluation of the Tank Trail 2 Site, 44NT0219, also consider the possibility of 44NT0220's association with that site. Additional research into the ownership of the property may be more valuable in establishing a connection than further subsurface testing at 44NT0220.

Evaluation (Phase II) Survey. The survey also re-investigated three (3) previously recorded sites that were recommended eligible for the NRHP. Based upon the documentation provided in the

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report, on June 19, 2012, the archaeological subcommittee of DHR's National Register Evaluation Committee met to consider the eligibility of sites 44NT0045, 44NT0056 and 44NT0072.

- Site 44NT0045 is a World War II-era tent camp. The report finds the site not eligible because of the low number of artifacts recovered and because the artifacts were not indicative of any specific group or unit. However, it was noted that the camp in general conforms to U.S. Army regulations for the layout of a camp site. While the Committee agrees with the consultant's recommendation that the further archaeological investigations would not produce important new information, the Committee notes that archaeological sites may be eligible under criteria other than D. The historic context provided is not considered sufficient to allow a determination of eligibility to be made at this time. Tent camps in Mississippi, California and South Carolina are briefly discussed. However, no mention is made of any such facilities in Virginia. It would be helpful to know if any are still extant and have been investigated archaeologically.
- Site 44NT0056 is an historic site with a prehistoric component. Based upon the documentation provided in the report, the Committee agrees with the consultant's recommendation that this site does not meet the criteria for inclusion in the NRHP due to its compromised integrity and low information potential.
- Site 44NT0072 is a small Middle to Late Woodland Period site. Based upon the documentation provided in the report, the Committee does not agree with the consultant's recommendation that this site is eligible for the National Register under criterion D. While small Woodland camps with good integrity are rare in this area, the recorded stratigraphy does not show the potential for deeply buried deposits. Moreover, no intact features were identified. Given the level of testing in relation to the size of the site, the Committee does not see that Site 44NT0072 has potential for intact features.

In summary, based upon the results of the evaluation of these three sites, we do not recommend further archaeological investigations at Sites 44NT0056 and 44NT0072. With respect to Site 44NT0045, we recommend consideration of its eligibility under Criterion A. Additional background research is needed to develop a more thorough historic context.

Furthermore, on page 75, the report mentions an isolated gravestone, apparently not found in relation to any site or artifacts; however, the stone does contain the name Smith. Given the weight of the stones and the fact that these appear to be related to a higher economic status than average, we do not agree that this should be treated as an isolated find. We recommend conducting background research to identify the ownership of Smith's with adjacent property. As family cemeteries are common in Virginia, dependent on the results of the research, stripping of the area to locate grave shafts may be warranted.

For questions regarding archaeology, please contact Ethel Eaton at (804) 482-6088 or ethel.eaton@dhr.virginia.gov. For architectural questions and any other questions, please contact me at (804) 482-6084, or via email at andrea.kampinen@dhr.virginia.gov.

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8.0 SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 Phase I Sites

8.1.1 Summary

Phase I survey was completed by Cardno TEC from October 2011 through March 2012 at three parcels of land at Fort Pickett Army National Guard Maneuver Training Center in Blackstone, Nottoway County, Virginia. A total of 1052 acres (426 hectares) of land were surveyed and 9,804 STPs were excavated during the investigations. Sixteen previously unknown archaeological sites were discovered as part of this survey, including four prehistoric sites and 12 historic sites (Table 34). Historic sites included former locations of military barracks and housing at Fort Pickett, military equipment and trash disposal sites, former nineteenth century domestic sites, and historic trash disposal sites. Prehistoric sites included two Woodland Period camp sites and two small lithic scatters potentially associated with short term resource procurement or hunting camps. Seven of the sites were considered to be potentially eligible for the NRHP under Criteria D and were recommended for Avoidance or Additional Work. The remaining nine sites are considered to be not eligible for the NRHP due to previous disturbances, lack of integrity, or low artifact count. No further work is recommended at these sites. Each of these sites is summarized below.

Table 34. Recommendations for Phase I sites

Site Number	Site Name	Eligibility Recommendation	Action Recommendation
44NT0207	Golder House Site	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II
44NT0208	Military Site 1	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0209	Military Site 2	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0210	Pottery Ridge Site	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II
44NT0211	Gunn House Site	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0212	Garnett Street Site	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II
44NT0213	Military Burn Site	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0214	Gunn Scatter Site	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0215	Military Mess Scatter Site	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0216	Military Housing Site	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0217	Sydnor House Site	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0218	Tank Trail 1	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II
44NT0219	Tank Trail 2	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II
44NT0220	Tank Trail 3	Not Eligible	No additional work
44NT0221	Birchin Creek Ridge Site	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II
44NT0222	Firing Range Site	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II

8.1.2 LRA 9 Area I, Site 44NT0207

The location of a possible historic house site, 44NT0207, was discovered in LRA 9 Area I. Forty-four artifacts were recovered from 15 STPs in this area, which likely corresponds to a house in this location on a 1864 military map of Nottoway County (Graves) associated with "Mrs. Golder". The site appears to be located in an area of historic fill that may relate to the house.

Although no foundations or features were discovered at this site, the presence of intact soils and possible historic fill on portions of site 44NT0207 indicate the possibility for recovery of intact features related to the Golder house that could assist in the understanding of its construction or

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Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia
DHR File No. 2010-1921

Dear Ms. Kampinen:

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and the Department of State (DOS) are proposing to acquire and develop parcels of land for a Foreign Affairs Security Training Center (FASTC). GSA is the lead agency for Section 106 consultation for this project.

GSA initiated Section 106 consultation with your office in October 2011 and submitted draft Determination of Eligibility (DOE) reports to your office in June 2012. This submission package contains revised DOE reports, addendum DOE reports for some additional parcels, and a Phase II archaeological investigation for sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218.

The draft DOE reports submitted to your office in June 2012 have been revised to address comments and questions posed by your office as well as comments from the consulting parties. The *Phase II Architectural Survey and Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia* includes a table of previously identified resources along the Military Road and West Entrance Road corridors as well as streetscape photos, as requested (pages 10-22).

The *Phase I Archaeological Survey and Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia* has also been revised in accordance with comments from your office. Your office requested that evaluation of west tank trail site 44NT0219 also consider an association with adjacent site 44NT0220.

The tank trail route has been revised to avoid both of these sites and no additional survey was undertaken, but the report now recommends that if additional investigation

is conducted on site 44NT0219 that parallel investigations be conducted on site 44NT0220 (pages 182-186; 304). Additional research was conducted on and a revised context provided for site 44NT0045, the World War II era tent camp (pages 195-223). The eligibility determination for site 44NT0072 has been revised in accordance with comments provided by your office (pages 289-299). The text has been revised to provide additional information about the isolated gravestone find (pages 76-77).

Since July of 2012, GSA and DOS have continued to develop the master plan for the FASTC. The loss of 283 acres of land originally offered on the 21/20 parcel was partially offset by the addition of LRA Parcel 10 to the planning process (135 acres). GSA and DOS negotiated with the Virginia Army National Guard (VAARNG) for some additional lands connecting LRA Parcel 9 and the 21/20 parcel, known as the Grid Area, and began moving ahead with plans to include this area in the master plan alternatives for the facility. In addition, project-related development is projected to occur on some parcels that will not ultimately be acquired by or come under the control of GSA and DOS. These parcels include an access drive from Military Road to the proposed main campus area on Parcel 10, a location for the relocation of the parking lot for the Officers' Open Dining Facility (DHR #067-0110-0001), and the location for a classroom adjacent to Range 8, which will continue to be operated by VAARNG. Survey reports identifying historic properties in these areas have been prepared and the *Draft Addendum Phase II Architectural Survey for Additional Parcels at the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia* and *Draft Addendum Phase I Survey for Additional Parcels at the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia* are included in this package.

Also included in this package is *Draft Addendum Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218, Nottoway County, Virginia*, detailing the investigation of the two potentially eligible archaeological sites that could not be avoided by the proposed development.

Currently, work continues on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and on the master planning effort for the facility. The EIS is reaching a critical juncture with the planned distribution of the Draft EIS for a 45-day public review at the end of October 2012. A public meeting to gather formal comments on the results of the Draft EIS is planned for early November 2012. Your office, the consulting parties, and the general public will all be notified of the availability of the Draft EIS and invited to the public hearing. GSA plans to formally submit sections of the EIS detailing the effects to historic resources after coming to concurrence on the identification of historic properties as the next step in the Section 106 consultation.

In June 2012 the Virginia Council on Indians (VCI), a consulting party to this undertaking, was disbanded. As VCI had acted as a clearinghouse for the eleven state-recognized tribes, GSA contacted the tribes individually to determine if any of them may be interested in participating as consulting parties. As a result of this outreach, two of the state-recognized tribes, the Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Indian Tribe and the Nottoway Indian Tribe of Virginia, have joined the consultation for this undertaking.

If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (215) 446-4570 or donna.andrews@gsa.gov.

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DHR File No. 2010-1921

Dear Ms. Andrews,

On October 2, 2012, the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR) received additional information regarding the above-referenced project for our review and comment pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. DHR understands that the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and the Department of State (DOS) are proposing to acquire and develop several parcels of land for a Foreign Security Affairs Training Center (FASTC) at Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia. The FASTC will provide training for a variety of law enforcement and security disciplines managed by the DOS Bureau of Diplomatic Security. The project is partially funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), but GSA will assume lead agency responsibilities under Section 106.

Following GSA's initiation of Section 106 consultation in October 2011, DHR understands that the property being sought for the facility has further changed in configuration. At this time, three parcels within Fort Pickett are under consideration: Local Reuse Authority (LRA) Parcel 9, 750 acres; LRA Parcel 10, 135 acres; and Parcel 21/20, 660 acres. Four additional parcels, 80 acres in total, are also being considered for additional space, if needed: Grid Parcel, 70 acres; range 8 Classroom R05, 5 acres; Parcel 10 Access Road; and Officer's Club Parking Lot. The most recent Cultural Resource Survey reports submitted to our office not only address DHR's comments from our July 2, 2012 letter, but also address comments from other consulting parties, and account for the additional four parcels under consideration. The two Build Alternatives being evaluated in the EIS incorporate these updated parcel configurations.

Architectural Resources

We have received for review the revised report, *Phase II Architectural Survey and Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia*, prepared by Cardno TEC in September 2012; and the new report, *Draft Addendum Phase II Architectural Survey for Additional*

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Parcels at the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia, prepared by Cardno TEC on September 24, 2012. We are pleased to report that the survey forms met our Data Sharing System (DSS) Quality Control Standards on November 14, 2012.

As you know, the Fort Pickett Historic District (DHR ID#067-0110) was recommended as not eligible for listing in the Virginia Landmarks Register (VLR) or the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) by our staff in October 2010. The *Phase II Architectural Survey* (also known as DHR's Reconnaissance Level Survey) identified five (5) resources within LRA Parcel's 9 and 10 (DHR ID#067-0110-0417, 0418, 0419, 0420, and 067-5034), and DHR still concurs with the consultant's recommendation that the resources are not recommended individually eligible for listing in the VLR/NRHP. There were no resources identified within Parcel 21/20. Furthermore, we feel the resources along Military Road and West Entrance Road have been adequately accounted for at this time. The one previously surveyed resource along West Entrance Road, Farley's (DHR ID#067-0183) should be considered potentially eligible for the purposes of this project.

The *Draft Addendum Report* identified 44 previously surveyed architectural resources within/adjacent to the GRID Parcel; two (2) newly recorded resources within/adjacent the Range 8 Classroom R05 parcel; and no previously surveyed or newly identified resources within/adjacent the Parcel 10 Access Road or the Officer's Club Parking Lot. DHR concurs with the consultant that the two resources within the Range 8 Classroom R05 parcel (DHR ID#067-0110-0421 and 0422) are not eligible. No further survey work is recommended for these four additional parcels.

Archaeological Resources

We have received for review three archaeological reports, *Phase I Archaeological Survey and Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia, revised*, prepared by Kimberly M. Sebestyen, M.A., et al. of Cardno Tech in September 2012 ; *Draft Addendum Phase I Survey for Additional Parcels at the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia* prepared by Kimberly M. Sebestyen, M.A. of Cardno Tech in August 2012; *Draft Addendum Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218, Nottoway County, Virginia* prepared by Kimberly M. Sebestyen, M.A and David Jenkins, M.A. of Cardno Tech in September 2012. We are pleased to inform you that the reports meet the federal *Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archeology and Historic Preservation* (48 FR 44716-44742, September 1983) and our state *Guidelines for Conducting Cultural Resource Survey in Virginia* (rev. 2011). Please see our comments for each of the reports below:

Phase I Archaeological Survey and Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia

It is our understanding that this report has been revised to address the comments made in our letter of July 2, 2012, as well as those of other consulting parties. We appreciate your willingness to conduct parallel investigations on Site 44NT0220 if additional investigation is warranted at Site 44NT0219. We understand, however, that no additional survey at these sites is planned at the present time as the tank trail route has been revised to avoid both sites.

The report also includes the results of additional research conducted on Site 44NT0045. The revised historic context for this site now includes consideration of all four National Register criteria. Our Department's National Register Evaluation Committee met on October 25, 2012, to consider the eligibility of Site 44NT0045. Based upon the additional documentation provided, the committee finds

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that Site 44NT0045 does not meet the National Register criteria. As such, we concur with the consultant's recommendation that no further archaeological investigations are warranted at this site.

I regret to inform you, however, that we do not agree that sufficient research has been conducted in connection with the isolated grave stone. While we can agree that the stone is not likely to be *in situ*, given the weight of the stones, they do not seem likely to have been deposited at any considerable distance from the, as yet, unidentified burial place. The issue is the stones suggest that the unmarked grave in the vicinity may be affected by future activities. We will reiterate that the grave stone does contain the name Smith. To avoid potential delays from post review discovery of the grave, we recommend conducting background research to identify the ownership of the Smith gravestone with adjacent property. As family cemeteries are common in Virginia, dependent on the results of the research, stripping of the area to locate grave shafts may be warranted.

Draft Addendum Phase I Survey for Additional Parcels at the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia

No intact archaeological levels or features were identified during the survey. The level of effort documented in the report was sufficient to identify archaeological resources, if any were present. Based upon the results of the survey, we concur with the consultant's recommendation that no further archaeological investigations are warranted on the four additional parcels surveyed.

Draft Addendum Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218, Nottoway County, Virginia

This report presents the results of the Phase II evaluation of two historic period sites identified during the Phase I survey for the FASTC project. The archaeological subcommittee of our Department's National Register Evaluation Committee met on October 25, 2012, to consider the eligibility of Sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218. I regret to inform you that the committee finds that the report does not represent a level of effort sufficient to evaluate these sites. The scale of the map of Site 44NT207 provided in Figure 6 (page 12) makes it difficult to distinguish positive from negative shovel tests. For this reason it is not clear how the site boundaries were determined. In some cases it appears that positive shovel tests, for example, M1+ 10S, were not bracketed with additional shovel tests.

Moreover, additional background research is needed to develop a more thorough historic context. Research on the ownership of the property appears to be limited to historic maps. We cannot agree that the number of properties incorporated into Fort Pickett preclude deed and tax record research that would assist in determining ownership and the social and economic status of the property's inhabitants. Apparently a 1944 map of the properties encompassed by Fort Pickett exists which shows the owner's name and size of the property; deed research could proceed back from that owner.

The Committee expressed similar concerns with respect to Site 44NT0218. Positive shovel tests appear to have been excavated outside of the site boundary as depicted on Figure 22 (page 47). In the conclusions section it is stated that "although portions of the southeastern area of the site have been disturbed due to structure demolition and/or military activities, the former structures associated with this site appear to be outside of the site boundary as well as the APE." It is not clear to us how the site is defined if structures associated with the site are not included within the site boundaries. Evaluation of a site requires that its nature and extent be determined.

We look forward to receiving more detailed information about Sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218, including a more thorough historic context as well as defensible boundary definition. At this time, we are not

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commenting on effects to historic properties until we receive your determination of effects as you state in your letter.

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Re: Section 106 Consultation
Land Acquisition and Development
Department of State Foreign Affairs Security Training Center
Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia
DHR File No. 2010-1921

Dear Ms. Kampinen:

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and the Department of State (DOS) are proposing to acquire and develop parcels of land for a Foreign Affairs Security Training Center (FASTC). GSA is the lead agency for Section 106 consultation for this project.

GSA initiated Section 106 consultation with your office in October 2011, submitted draft Determination of Eligibility (DOE) reports to your office in June 2012, and submitted revised DOE reports, addendum DOE reports, and a Phase II archaeological investigation to your office in October 2012. This submission package contains revisions to the archaeological DOE report and Phase II archaeological investigation report as requested, as well as a determination of effects.

The *Phase I Archaeological Survey and Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia* has been revised in accordance with comments from your office. Your office requested additional information regarding the isolated gravestone found on LRA Parcel 9, Area III. The revised text begins on page 76 (6.1.3.5 Gravestone).

The *Draft Addendum Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218, Nottoway County, Virginia*, has also been revised to take into account the comments and requests from your office.

To summarize the identification findings, for above-ground (architectural) resources, GSA did not identify any eligible properties within the APE for Direct Effects. Your office has concurred with this determination. In the APE for Indirect Effects, the Wells House/Commander's Residence (Building 2538), the Officer's Open Dining Facility (Building 1615; 067-0110-0001), and the Hangar (Building T0025; 067-0110-0027) and associated Blackstone Army Airfield were previously identified as eligible, while Farley's (067-0183), a resource located along West Entrance Road, is considered potentially eligible. The Blackstone Historic District (142-0007), although nearby, is located outside of the APE for Indirect Effects.

In terms of archaeological resources, through Phase I and Phase II investigations conducted over 1132 acres of land, GSA has identified six archaeological sites as potentially eligible: 44NT0210, 44NT0212, 44NT0219, 44NT0220, 44NT0221, and 44NT0222.

Both the concurrent Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Master Planning efforts for this undertaking have hit major milestones. The public comment period on the Draft EIS closed on December 10, 2012. There were no substantive comments related to cultural resources received from any party, although GSA did receive a request from the Robert Thomas Carriage Museum in Blackstone, Virginia, to make some of the artifacts recovered from the subject property available for display and research. GSA will work on a lending agreement with the Robert Thomas Carriage Museum and the final repository of the artifacts, whether VAARNG or VDHR, to make the display and research possible. The Master Plan has reached its final iteration and design will move into the construction document phase beginning in January. GSA will be monitoring the subsequent phases of design to ensure that they remain in compliance with the master plan, as presented in this Section 106 consultation, or that consultation is reopened if changes are necessary in the future. The Final EIS will include the final property boundary and master plan layout, substantially unchanged from those presented in the Draft EIS.

At this time, GSA is also including portions of the Draft EIS, Chapter 4, detailing the effects to historic properties from the proposed undertaking (Attachment 1). For your reference, Build Alternative 2 is the preferred alternative under consideration. The purpose of this letter is to seek your concurrence with the APEs and identification of historic properties established by GSA for the purpose of completing our identification responsibilities, and to seek your acceptance of the aforementioned information as documentation regarding this action for consultation purposes. In accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and 36 CFR 800.5(b), it is the opinion of GSA that the proposed land acquisition and development of the FASTC will result in No Adverse Effect to any historic properties. Accordingly, GSA seeks your concurrence with our determination of effect.

If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (215) 446-4570 or donna.andrews@gsa.gov.

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Attachment 1 – Determination of Effects (EIS Chapter 4, Built Environment)

1. **Avoid Disturbance Whenever Possible:** project plans would preserve as much existing vegetation as possible.
2. **Treat Disturbed Edges:** Where existing woodland/forest is disturbed, new woodland-edge vegetation (early succession trees, shrubs, grasses) would be planted along the disturbed edges to re-establish a more natural edge to forest, create corridors for wildlife movement, and prevent invasive species from establishing along disturbed edges.
3. **In Disturbed Areas, Re-Establish Appropriate Native Plant Communities:** In areas that would require a heavy amount of clearing, plant communities native to the central Piedmont would be utilized to re-vegetate disturbed areas. These plant communities would be tailored to both the cultural requirements of the site and the programmatic requirements of training mission.
4. **Connect Plant Communities Across Larger Areas:** Revegetation would connect plant communities of the same type across larger areas of the site to the maximum extent feasible to create and preserve corridors for the movement of wildlife and “deeper” habitats required by interior dependent species.

Impacts to protected species would be minimized through regulatory compliance with the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act. If bald eagles are using the nest within 660 feet of Build Alternative 1 firing range buildings, construction would be scheduled to occur only between August and January, outside of the eagle nesting season. Under either Build Alternative 1 or 2, the clearing of trees around the firing range buildings would be minimized to the maximum extent practicable to avoid any potential line of sight impacts within 660 feet of the nest.

Compliance with the regulatory requirements of the CWA (Sections 319, 401 and 404), the Virginia Stormwater Management Program and the Virginia Erosion and Sedimentation Program would minimize impacts to fish and other wildlife that are present streams and wetlands.

Other mitigation measures that would be considered to the extent feasible would be avoiding site clearing during the migratory bird nesting season to minimize temporary construction impacts on migratory birds.

4.2 BUILT ENVIRONMENT

4.2.1 Cultural Resources

For cultural resources found eligible to the NRHP, a significant adverse impact is one that disturbs the integrity of a historic property. If a project disturbs intrinsic characteristics that make the property eligible for or listed on the NRHP (other than its integrity), then it is also considered to have a significant adverse impact. Adverse effects may include the following: physical destruction, damage, or alteration of all or part of the resources; alteration of the character of the surrounding environment that contributes to the resource’s qualifications for the NRHP- introduction of visual, audible, or atmospheric elements that are out of character with the resource; neglect of the resource resulting in its deterioration or destruction; and transfer, lease, or sale of the property (36 CFR 800.5(a)(2)) without

adequate and legally enforceable restrictions or conditions to ensure long-term preservation of the property's historic significance.

4.2.1.1 Build Alternative 1

Architectural Resources

Fort Pickett includes two architectural resources, the Officer's Open Dining Facility and the hangar (with the associated airfield), that have been determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), and one architectural resource, the Wells House/Commander's Residence, that is treated as eligible for the NRHP by the Virginia Army National Guard (VAARNG). None of these three buildings is within Parcel 21/20 or LRA Parcel 9; thus, no buildings would be demolished, moved, or otherwise physically altered as a result of implementing Build Alternative 1. Therefore, there would be no direct impacts to these resources.

The Officer's Open Dining Facility (Officer's Club) is located on the north side of Military Road, next to the south boundary of LRA Parcel 9. The site of this two-story, wood-frame 1942 building includes several mature trees on the south (front) and east sides, manicured lawns, and two asphalt-paved surface parking lots, one on the east and west sides of the building. Buildings that were on the north and south sides of the Officer's Club have been demolished- a small parking lot remains from the building that was north of the Officer's Club/Forested areas are to the west, north, and east, including around an extant World War II-era, one-story building located more than 475 feet to the north. Another World War II-era, one-story building is approximately 500 feet to the northeast. Immediately southeast of the Officer's Club is the 1942 Field House (two stories), and approximately 1,250 feet to the east, also on the north side of Military Road, is the recently constructed VAARNG Emergency Services facility.

Indirect secondary effects to the hangar by the construction of the FASTC facility on Parcel 21/20 and LRA Parcel 9 are expected to be minimal, given factors such as distance and dense vegetation between the hangar and these two parcels. The types of facilities proposed for construction on the northwest side of Parcel 21/20 (Post-Blast Training Range in the Explosive Range Area) and the north side of LRA Parcel 9 (Off-Road and Unimproved Road Driving Courses in the Off-Road and Unimproved Driving Track Area) are not of substantial height. As such, these FASTC facilities likely would not be visible from the hangar because of the relatively long distance between the hangar and Parcel 21/20 (1.22 miles from the northwestern portion) and LRA Parcel 9 (1.20 miles from the northern portion). Furthermore, the thick forest of primarily coniferous trees that extends across the area between Blackstone Army Airfield would obscure southern viewsheds from the hangar towards the FASTC facility year-round. Noise modeling for FASTC demolition noise combined with existing Fort Pickett demolition and large caliber weapons noise from VAARNG operations revealed that compared to existing conditions, additional noise would be generated in the northwest portion of the installation, including the airfield. The noise environment for Build Alternative 1 would result in an extension of the Land Use Planning Zone (LUPZ) and Zone I (57 decibels (dB) C-weighted day-night average sound level [CDNL]), which would encompass the airfield; the hangar would be at the edge of the LUPZ and Zone I (refer to Noise Sections 3.2.3 and 4.2.3). This increased noise level would not result in a direct or indirect adverse impact to the hangar, as it is well within the maximum noise levels allowed at the airfield for aircraft training. The noise modeling also showed that peak noise levels from the combination of proposed FASTC demolition operations with

existing demolition and large caliber weapons operations would also expand to the northwest and include the airfield. However, effects from this noise would be infrequent, as high explosives from average annual FASTC demolition operations are expected to be much lower in number than existing annual VAARNG operations. Furthermore, noise is an inherent part of the setting of the hangar and airfield, so an intermittent increase in noise exposure would not negatively affect the significant qualities and characteristics of the property.

Under Build Alternative 1, three buildings and parking lots would be constructed northeast of the Officer's Club/ These buildings would include a one-story warehouse (A09), a one-story vehicle maintenance facility (D06), and a two-story driving training building (D01). A surface parking area for 300 vehicles would be built on the north side of these three buildings, and a surface parking area for 100 vehicles would be added east of the vehicle maintenance facility and south of the driving training building. Portions of driving tracks of the High Speed Anti-Terrorism Driving Course (D02) are north and northeast of the three proposed new buildings.

The proposed F! STC would not change the use of the Officer's Club, and the addition of three new buildings and associated surface parking to the northeast would not result in direct or indirect adverse effects to the character of the club's physical features or its setting/ The scale and height of the new buildings (one or two stories) is in keeping with the scale and height of the existing buildings that currently are, as well as historically were, near the Officer's Club/Vegetation on the site of the Officer's Club would not be changed, and construction of the new facilities would preserve existing vegetation where possible and in cleared areas, replant native plant communities where possible. Beyond the immediate area of the three new buildings and parking areas, views of other proposed facilities of FASTC, namely High Speed Anti-Terrorism Driving Course (D02), would be obscured by vegetation that would surround the driving tracks, particularly due to 100-foot vegetative buffers that would be maintained around two drainage corridors- one that extends from the west to the north of the Officer's Club and one running west to east along the north side of the Officer's Club site (refer to **Figure 2.2-1**).

The Officer's Club would not be affected by noise from small caliber weapons operations, as the peak sound levels associated with this type of training do not extend west of Parcel 21/20. The club is within the existing LUPZ and 57 dB CDNL Zone I (refer to Noise Sections 3.2.3 and 4.2.3) for demolition and large caliber weapons training activities that currently occur at Fort Pickett. With the addition of the proposed FASTC training operations, the Officer's Club would remain within the 57 dB CDNL noise zone/ Similarly, implementation of Build !lterna tive 1 would not change the noise environment of the Officer's Club for peak noise/ Therefore, the Officer's Club would not be adversely affected by proposed FASTC small caliber weapons and demolition training. Similarly, implementation of Build Alternative 1 would not change the noise environment of the Officer's Club for peak noise, as it would remain within the 115 dB Peak noise exceeded 15% of time caused by weather (PK15)(met) zone and outside the 130 dB Peak noise exceeded 50% of time caused by weather (PK50)(met) zone. Concerning noise exposure related to operations on the D02 drive tracks, segments of which are to the north, the Officer's Club would be outside the 65 dB (refer to Noise Section 4.2.3.2) contour for maximum and average drive track operations. Therefore, the Officer's Club would not be directly or indirectly adversely affected by the noise from proposed FASTC small caliber weapons, demolition, or high speed driving training.

The Wells House/Commander's Residence (Wells House) is located approximately 3,500 feet southeast of the proposed location of the FASTC main campus in Parcel 21/20, and more than 4,700 feet south of the proposed locations of small arms firing ranges in Parcel 21/20. Due to the distance and dense forest vegetation that largely characterizes the area between the Wells House and Parcel 21/20, construction of the proposed FASTC Build Alternative 1 would have no visual effects to the Wells House. The noise environment of the Wells House would not change with the addition of proposed FASTC small arms and demolition training operations. Therefore, Build Alternative 1 would have no direct or indirect adverse effect on the potential eligibility of the Wells House.

Under Build Alternative 1, the main access point to the FASTC facility by staff and students is expected to be through the Fort Pickett Main Gate to the FASTC Main Campus Compound Access Control (CAC) off Dearing Avenue. A projected increase in traffic along Dearing Avenue would have no direct or indirect effect on architectural resources, as there are no NRHP-listed or eligible properties along this road.

Because of its proximity to Fort Pickett, potential indirect effects to the NRHP-listed Blackstone Historic District from the proposed FASTC operations were considered. New construction proposed on LRA Parcel 9 would be approximately 1.7 miles from the southeastern part of the Blackstone Historic District, and would not be visible from the historic district. Noise modeling indicates that the proposed FASTC training operations would generate limited additional noise in the surrounding community when compared to the existing noise produced by VAARNG operations. Therefore, the Blackstone Historic District would not be directly or indirectly adversely affected by the construction and operational activities of FASTC.

Implementation of Build Alternative 1 would have no direct or indirect adverse effects on NRHP-eligible architectural resources. GSA has initiated consultation with VDHR on this finding of effects and the results will be incorporated in the Final EIS.

Archaeological Resources

Implementation of Build Alternative 1 would have no direct or indirect adverse effects on NRHP-eligible archaeological resources. All sites recommended as potentially eligible for the NRHP would be avoided by the Proposed Action. GSA has initiated consultation with VDHR on this finding of effects and the results will be incorporated in the Final EIS.

4.2.1.2 Build Alternative 2 (Preferred Alternative)

Architectural Resources

The hangar (with the associated airfield) and the Officer's Club, the only two NRHP-eligible architectural resources at Fort Pickett, are not located in any of the four parcels, and thus, the buildings would not be demolished, moved, or otherwise physically altered as a result of implementing Build Alternative 2. Likewise, the Wells House, which is treated as eligible for the NRHP, is not located in any of the four parcels and therefore would not be directly affected by the proposed FASTC.

Indirect secondary effects to the hangar by the construction of FASTC hard and soft skills facilities on Parcel 21/20 and LRA Parcel 9 are expected to be minimal, given factors such as distance and dense vegetation between the hangar and these two parcels. The types of facilities proposed for construction

on the northwest side of Parcel 21/20 (Post-Blast Training Range in the Explosive Range Area) and the north side of LRA Parcel 9 (Off-Road and Unimproved Road Driving Courses in the Off-Road and Unimproved Driving Track Area) are not of substantial height. As such, these FASTC facilities likely would not be visible from the hangar because of the relatively long distance between the hangar and Parcel 21/20 (1.22 miles from the northwestern portion) and LRA Parcel 9 (1.20 miles from the northern portion). Furthermore, the thick forest of primarily coniferous trees that extends across the area between Blackstone Army Airfield would obscure southern viewsheds from the hangar towards the FASTC facilities year-round. Noise modeling for FASTC demolition noise combined with existing Fort Pickett demolition and large caliber weapons noise from VAARNG operations revealed that compared to existing conditions, additional noise would be generated in the northwest portion of the installation, including the airfield. The noise environment for Build Alternative 2 would result in an extension of the LUPZ and Zone I (57 dB CDNL), which would encompass the airfield; the hangar would be at the edge of the LUPZ and Zone I (refer to Noise Sections 3.2.3 and 4.2.3). This increased noise level would not result in an adverse impact, as it is well within the maximum noise levels allowed at the airfield for aircraft training. The noise modeling also showed that peak noise levels from the combination of proposed FASTC demolition operations with existing demolition and large caliber weapons operations would also expand to the northwest and include the airfield. However, effects from this noise would be infrequent, as high explosives from average annual FASTC demolition operations are expected to be much lower in number than existing annual VAARNG operations. Furthermore, noise is an inherent part of the setting of the hangar and airfield, so an intermittent increase in noise exposure would not have direct or indirect negative effects on the significant qualities and characteristics of the property.

Proposed F! STC training operations would not significantly change the noise levels around the Officer's Club. The Officer's Club would not be affected by noise from small caliber weapons operations, as the peak sound levels associated with this type of training do not extend west of Parcel 21/20. The club is within the existing LUPZ and 57 dB CDNL Zone I for demolition and large caliber weapons training activities that currently occur at Fort Pickett. With the addition of the proposed FASTC training operations, the Officer's Club would remain within the 57 dB CDNL noise zone/ Similarly, implementation of Build !! ternative 2 would not change the noise environment of the Officer's Club for peak noise, as it would remain within the 115 dB PK15(met) zone and outside the 130 dB PK50(met) zone. Concerning noise exposure related to operations on the D02 drive tracks, segments of which are to the north, the Officer's Club would be outside the 65 dB contour for maximum and average drive track operations. Therefore, the Officer's Club would not be directly or indirectly adversely affected by the noise from proposed FASTC small caliber weapons, demolition, or high speed driving training. GSA has initiated consultation with VDHR on this finding of effects and the results will be incorporated in the Final EIS.

The Wells House is located approximately 4,700 feet south of the proposed location of the FASTC small arms firing ranges in Parcel 21/20. Due to the distance and dense forest vegetation that largely characterizes the area between the Wells House and Parcel 21/20, construction of the proposed FASTC Build Alternative 2 would have no visual effects to the Wells House. The noise environment of the Wells House would not change with the addition of proposed FASTC small arms and demolition training

operations. Therefore, Build Alternative 2 would have no direct or indirect adverse effect on the potential eligibility of the Wells House.

The majority of daily vehicular traffic to the FASTC campus under Build Alternative 2 would enter the Fort Pickett Main Gate on Military Road. A secondary access point would be the Fort Pickett West Gate on West Entrance Road. There are no NRHP-listed or eligible properties along the northern portion of Military Road so a projected increase in traffic along this route would have no effect on significant architectural resources. Likewise, there are no known NRHP-eligible properties on West Entrance Road; therefore, a slight increase in traffic on this road would have no direct or indirect significant effect on architectural resources.

A minimal increase in traffic on U.S. 460 Business (North Main Street) through downtown Blackstone to West Entrance Road would not adversely affect the integrity of the Blackstone Historic District. New construction proposed on LRA Parcel 10 would be approximately 1.4 miles from the southeastern part of the Blackstone Historic District. The new facilities would range from one to five stories in height. Forested vegetation would largely surround the new facilities and the distance and varied topography between LRA Parcel 10 and the historic district would result in minimal visual effects to Blackstone Historic District. Noise modeling indicates that the proposed FASTC training operations would generate limited additional noise in the surrounding community when compared to the existing noise produced by VAARNG operations. Therefore, the Blackstone Historic District would not be directly or indirectly adversely affected by the construction and operational activities of FASTC.

Implementation of Build Alternative 2 would have no adverse effects on NRHP-eligible architectural resources GSA has initiated consultation with VDHR on this finding of effects and the results will be incorporated in the Final EIS.

Archaeological Resources

Implementation of Build Alternative 2 would have no adverse effects on NRHP-eligible archaeological resources. All sites recommended as potentially eligible for the NRHP would be avoided by the Proposed Action. GSA has initiated consultation with VDHR on this finding of effects and the results will be incorporated in the Final EIS.

4.2.1.3 No Action Alternative

Under the No Action Alternative, GSA and U.S. Department of State (DOS) would not develop FASTC and would not acquire the parcels of land at Fort Pickett and Nottoway County. The No Action Alternative would have no impact to architectural or archaeological resources.

4.2.1.4 Mitigation

Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act would avoid or minimize impacts to cultural resources. The need for mitigation measures will be determined at the conclusion of consultation with VDHR and will be incorporated into the Final EIS. Should future project design result in potential impacts to Sites 44NT0210, 44NT0212, 44NT0219, 44NT0220, 44NT0221 or 44NT0222, which are currently avoided by Build Alternatives 1 and 2, Phase II testing and evaluation and further consultation with VDHR would be conducted.



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Nottoway County, Virginia
DHR File No. 2010-1921

Dear Ms. Andrews,

On December 21, 2012, the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR) received additional information regarding the above-referenced project for our review and comment pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. DHR understands that the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and the Department of State (DOS) are proposing to acquire and develop several parcels of land for a Foreign Security Affairs Training Center (FASTC) at Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia. The FASTC will provide training for a variety of law enforcement and security disciplines managed by the DOS Bureau of Diplomatic Security. The project is partially funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), but GSA will assume lead agency responsibilities under Section 106.

We understand that the public commenting period is complete for the Draft EIS, and the Master Plan will now move into the construction design phase for Build Alternative 2. We have also received GSA's determination of No Adverse Effect to historic properties for this project. Unfortunately, we are unable to concur with your determination in absence of additional information for your effects analysis, in addition to unresolved eligibility issues for identified archaeological resources.

Thank you for revising the archaeological reports and addendums per our request in our letter dated November 28, 2012. In the revised report, *Phase I Archaeological Survey and Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia*, we requested additional information regarding the isolated gravestone found on LRA Parcel 9, Area III. Regrettably, we do not find that the limited research conducted using historic maps and census records is sufficient to determine that the Smith family never lived at or near the present location of the gravestone. While we can agree that the stone is not likely to be "in situ," given the weight of the stones, we continue to find it

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unlikely that the stones were deposited at any considerable distance from the [as yet] unidentified burial place.

We also find it difficult to agree that the remains of the Epps, Palmer and Remna Watkins cemeteries were “likely” destroyed during road relocation following acquisition by the military. Typically, burials are found at greater depths than the disturbance necessary to create roads. The revised report notes that the Phase II (evaluation) surveys of sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218 did not record depths of disturbance greater than 55 cm, but it is our opinion that the stones suggest the presence of unmarked graves in the vicinity, which may be affected by future activities. To avoid potential delays from post-review discovery of the grave, we again recommend conducting more detailed background research to identify the ownership of the Smith gravestone with adjacent properties. As family cemeteries are common in Virginia, dependent on the results of the research, stripping of the area to locate grave shafts may be warranted.

The revised report, *Draft Addendum Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218, Nottoway County, Virginia*, presents the results of the evaluation (Phase II survey) of two historic period sites identified during the Phase I survey for the FASTC project. Based upon the documentation provided, the archaeological subcommittee of DHR’s National Register Evaluation Committee met on January 7, 2013 to consider the eligibility of sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218. The Committee expressed concern that the additional historic context we requested was not developed at a level sufficient for the evaluation of historic period sites. For example, no secondary histories of the County appear to have been consulted, such as *Old Homes and Families in Nottoway County* (W. R. Turner 1932) and *Nottoway County Virginia; Founding and Development with Biographical Sketches* (A. B. Cummins 1970).

Site 44NT0207

On page 13, the addendum report states that the property appears to have been part of a larger parcel of land called Millbrook. Millbrook is presently listed in the National Register of Historic Places (DHR ID#067-0012) and is associated with the Williams and Fowlkes families. The nomination includes not only a brief history of the property, but also research in land and court records, including the fact that after the Civil War, Millbrook was broken up into many 40-acre plots, leaving approximately 400 acres of the main plantation as documented on an 1871 plat. This information was not researched in the revised addendum report. The Committee, however, did appreciate that, as requested, the scale of the map for site 44NT0207 had been revised, thus making it possible to distinguish positive from negative shovel tests.

Site 44NT0218

The conclusion in the former addendum report stated, “Although portions of the southeastern area of the site have been disturbed due to structure demolition and/or military activities, the former structures associated with this site appear to be outside of the site boundary as well as the APE.” While the revised addendum report has deleted that statement, the Committee noted that the site boundaries were still not adequately defined. On page 65, the report states, “It is likely that the site continues to the south outside of the APE for this project.” Unfortunately, it does not appear that testing was conducted outside of the project’s APE, and accordingly, the Committee found that the report fails to provide sufficient information to evaluate site 44NT0218 conclusively. While no intact levels or features were identified within the project’s APE, the site outside of the areas tested may retain integrity. We must note that prior to beginning archaeological investigations at the Phase II level, additional background research should be

conducted to provide a clearer definition of the historic boundaries of domestic sites in order to guide the location of subsurface testing.

In order to move forward with consultation, we request the following:

1. Please revise the archaeological reports to provide the information we specifically requested. Namely, conducting more detailed background research to identify the ownership of the Smith gravestone with adjacent properties, at minimum; develop the historic context using resources sufficient for the evaluation of historic period sites; additional research as noted above for site 44NT0207; definition of historic boundaries for site 44NT0218 beyond the APE of the project.
2. The results of the Phase II testing should be provided to our archaeological inventory manager as GIS shape files, and not generalized circles, in order to update the site records accurately.
3. Please provide an Analysis of Effects for architectural and archaeological resources (once the reports are revised and we've reached consensus on eligibility) using visual diagrams and photos to help us understand the analysis. Unfortunately, the text in Chapter 4 of the EIS is not enough for us to clearly understand the potential visual and auditory effects from the project.

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RE: Section 106 Consultation
Land Acquisition and Development
Department of State Foreign Affairs Security Training Center
Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia
DHR File No. 2010-1921

Dear Ms. Kampinen:

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and the Department of State (DOS) are proposing to acquire and develop parcels of land for a Foreign Affairs Security Training Center (FASTC). GSA is the lead agency for Section 106 consultation for this project.

GSA submitted revisions to a draft Archaeological Phase I Survey and Phase II Evaluation report and a draft Addendum Phase II Evaluation for sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218 in December 2012. This submission package contains revised versions of those documents addressing your office's comments from January 17, 2013. The submission also contains an Assessment of Effects for Build Alternative 3.

Since the prior submission in December 2012, the Area of Potential Effects (APE) for this undertaking has changed, as DOS's requirements have changed. The APE is reduced to three parcels, Fort Pickett parcels 21/20 and the area known as the Grid Parcel, and Nottoway County Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA) Parcel 9. A revised site plan is included in the "Assessment of Effects on Historic Properties, Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia."

The "Phase I Archaeological Survey and Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia" has been revised to include additional information regarding the Smith gravestone found on LRA 9 Parcel. Additional background research was conducted on the Smith family and possible connections to the property. Although a Smith owned the property for a brief period in the late nineteenth century, the relationship between the two has not been determined. Information on the locations of six family cemeteries that were formerly located in the general area has been provided, including one on the same property but located north of the current stone position, and two on an adjacent property. An Inadvertent

Discoveries Plan has been added to the report and a qualified archaeologist would be present during construction activities in the area of the stone.

The “Draft Addendum Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218, Nottoway County, Virginia” has also been revised to address the DHR National Register Evaluation Committee’s comments from January 2013. Additional research was conducted at the Library of Virginia (LVA) and the LVA online records, the Nottoway County Clerk’s Office and Commissioner’s Office, the Blackstone and Crewe libraries, the Virginia Historical Society, and the Nottoway County Historical Society and secondary resources recommended by the committee were consulted.

Site 44NT0207

Additional research was conducted on the relationship of this site to the National Register-listed Millbrook property, which was discussed in a previous version of this report. On October 16, 2014, GSA provided your office with a map highlighting the location of Millbrook and its distance from Site 44NT0207 (included as Attachment 1). A number of intervening properties that were patented or established prior to or at the same time period as Millbrook indicate that it and the subject site could not have been connected physically.

In accordance with the Committee’s request, the historic context for Site 44NT0207 was further developed utilizing deed research, tax records, census records, and information from a chancery case. Information garnered from these sources coupled with a 1937 aerial photograph indicates that the site is not associated with the nineteenth century Golder House as was previously interpreted, but with a later structure built on the property.

Site 44NT0218

In accordance with the Committee’s request, the historic context for Site 44NT0218 was further developed utilizing deed research, tax records, census records, and information from chancery cases. Information from these sources was coupled with a 1937 aerial photograph, which was rectified with the 1864 Graves map. This information indicates that the site is not associated with the nineteenth century Crenshaw House as previously understood, but with a later nineteenth/early-twentieth century structure built on this property.

Further, the 1937 aerial photograph was overlaid with the Tank Trail APE and determined that the tank trail would be located directly over the main area of the farmstead. Additional shovel testing was conducted along the south and north boundaries of the APE to be certain that the entire site had been tested. A limited number of additional artifacts were recovered from south of the southern APE boundary before encountering double-negative shovel tests. The southern boundary was extended outside of the south boundary of the APE.

Based on the results of the additional research and field testing of Sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218 in conjunction with the previous testing, it is the determination of GSA that neither site is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Accordingly, GSA seeks your concurrence with our determination of eligibility.

Assessment of Effects

The "Assessment of Effects on Historic Properties, Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia" presents a detailed analysis of the potential direct and indirect effects of Build Alternative 3 to all historic properties identified in the APE. The document includes maps and photographs to supplement the analysis. In accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and 36 CFR 800.5(b), GSA finds that the proposed land acquisition and development of the FASTC would result in No Adverse Effect to any historic properties. Accordingly, GSA seeks your concurrence with our determination of effect.

If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (215) 446-4570 or donna.andrews@gsa.gov.

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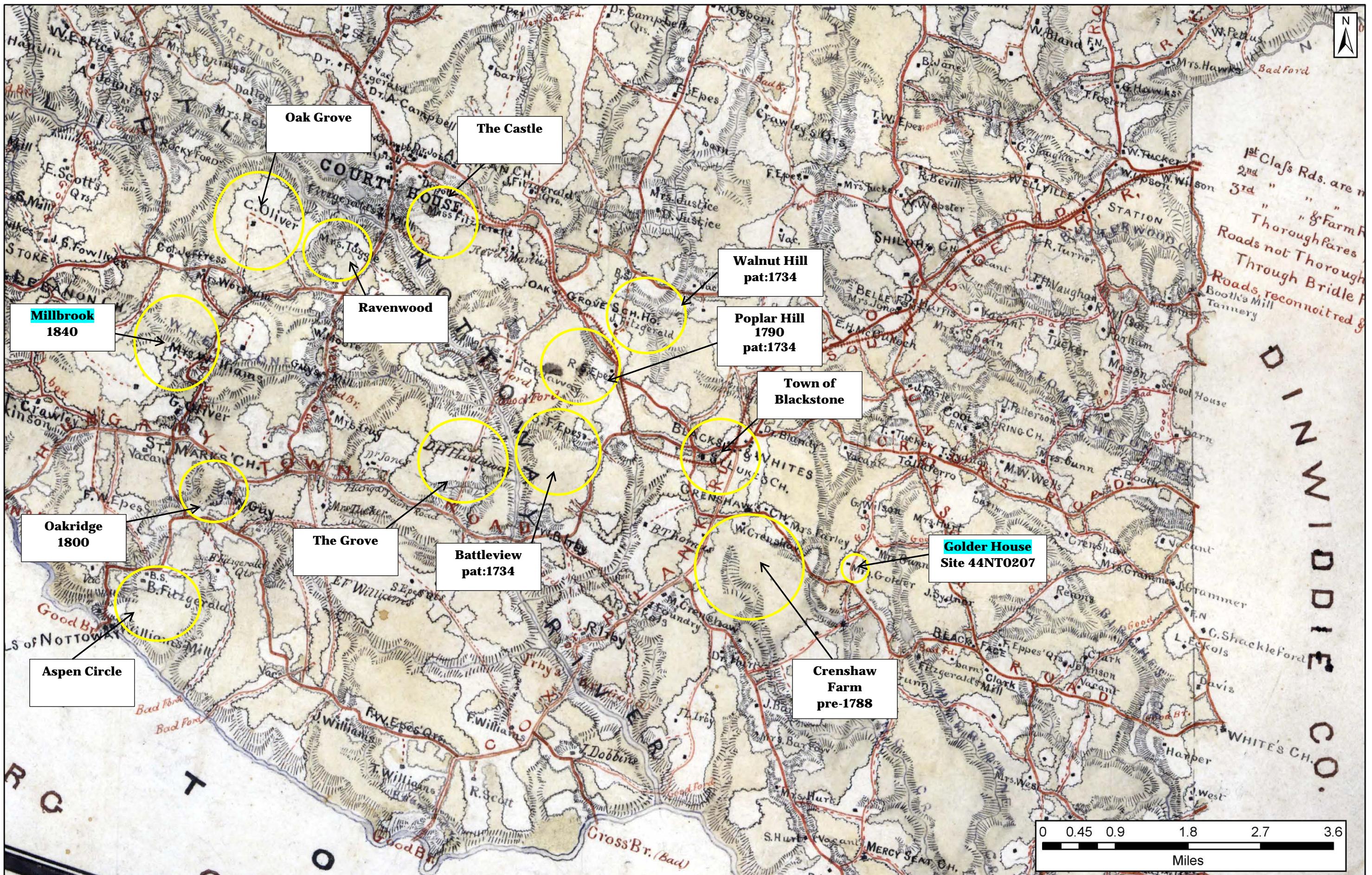
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Attachments: 2 copies each of *Revisions to a draft Archaeological Phase I Survey and Phase II Evaluation Report, Revised Addendum Phase II Evaluation for sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218, and Assessment of Effects for Build Alternative 3*

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Attachment 1: 1864 Plantation Map

ATTACHMENT 1 -





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Nottoway County, Virginia
DHR File No. 2010-1921

Dear Ms. Andrews,

On October 28, 2014, the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR) received additional information regarding the above-referenced project for our review and comment pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. DHR understands that the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) and the Department of State (DOS) are proposing to acquire and develop several parcels of land for a Foreign Security Affairs Training Center (FASTC) at Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia. The FASTC will provide training for a variety of law enforcement and security disciplines managed by the DOS Bureau of Diplomatic Security. The project is partially funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), but GSA will assume lead agency responsibilities under Section 106.

We understand that since December 2012, the Area of Potential Effects (APE) for this undertaking has changed. The APE has been reduced to three parcels: Parcel 21/20 and the area known as the Grid Parcel, and the Nottoway County Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA) Parcel 9. We understand that the submitted reports address revisions to our January 17, 2013, comments, and include an Assessment of Effects for Build Alternative 3, where GSA determines that the project will have no adverse effect to historic properties. Unfortunately, we are unable to concur with your determination of effects.

Thank you for revising the archaeological reports and addendums per our request in our letter dated January 17, 2013. We have reviewed the revised report, *Phase I Archaeological Survey and Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia*, prepared by Kimberly M. Sebestyen, M.A. et al. of Cardno TEC, Inc. in October 2014, and we are pleased to inform you that the revisions adequately meet the federal *Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archeology and Historic Preservation* (48 FR 44716-44742, September 1983) and our

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state *Guidelines for Conducting Historic Resources Survey in Virginia* (rev. 2011). Please review our comments below:

Site 44NT0220. The survey resulted in the identification of sixteen previously unknown archaeological sites. Based upon the results of the survey, we concur with the consultant's recommendations as presented in Table 36 (page 308), with one exception. As we stated in our July 2, 2012, letter, we do not agree that site 44NT0220, is not eligible. Site 44NT0220 is described as a small historic period artifact scatter located approximately 700 feet west of Site 44NT0219. The soils are reported to be somewhat disturbed. While site 44NT0220 may not be individually eligible for the National Register of Historic Places, we recommended that the evaluation of site 44NT0219, the Tank Trail 2 Site, consider the possibility of 44NT0220's association with that site. The revised report acknowledges on page 312 that site 44NT0220 appears to be related to site 44NT0219. In 2012 we also suggested that additional research into the ownership of the property may prove of more value in establishing a connection than further subsurface testing at 44NT0220. While we understand that site 44NT0220 will not be impacted by the current undertaking at this time, future actions in this area should take into account the possibility of 44NT0220's association with site 44NT0219 and any evaluation should assess the significance of both sites. For this reason we recommend that page 312 and Table 36 on page 308 be revised to list site 44NT0220 as *potentially eligible* with avoidance or Phase II as the appropriate Action Recommendation.

We also recommend that the documentation of site 44NT0220 on the V-CRIS inventory form and in the report be revised to reflect more accurately what was identified. According to the V-CRIS form, site 44NT0220 "was first discovered by its above-ground features including a stone-lined well, ornamental vegetation, and depressions. Artifacts were recovered from intact soils. Site may correspond to a structure on the 1895 Amelia quad map, however, it is unclear due to road alterations. Site has above-ground features indicating a possible former domestic/farmstead site with intact subsurface deposits." This appears to describe site 44NT0219 rather than site 44NT0220.

Isolated Gravestone. The level of effort documented in the revised report to determine ownership of the gravestone appears sufficient (pages 76-79). However, the background research presented does not support ownership of the parcel by the Smiths or in fact any other direct connection. The Smiths do not appear to have been tenants of an absentee owner. Moreover, the census data for 1900 and 1910 lists them as living in Bellefonte Township. We agree that the procedures for inadvertent discoveries of burials outlined in Appendix D will provide appropriate guidance to construction contractors. .

We have also completed our review of the revised report, *Addendum Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Sites 44NT0207 and 44NT0218*, prepared in October 2014 by Kimberly M. Sebestyen, M/A. and David Jenkins, M.A. of Cardno TEC, Inc. We are pleased to inform you that the revised report adequately meets the federal *Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archeology and Historic Preservation* (48 FR 44716-44742, September 1983) and our state *Guidelines for Conducting Historic Resources Survey in Virginia* (rev. 2011). We appreciate the consultants' efforts to conduct more detailed background research and as well as additional field work to address the comments made in our letter of January 17, 2013. We note that further investigation indicates that site 44NT0207 is not associated with the mid-19th Century Golder house, but with a late 19th-early 20th century house, likely built by Richard Epes. Further investigation of site 44NT0218 indicates that the site is not associated with the 19th century Crenshaw House, but a farmstead present on the 1937 aerial, indicating a late 19th - early 20th century construction date. Moreover, review of aerial photos suggests that considerable disturbances to these sites occurred in the 1940s and 1950s, likely the result of military use of the area.

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On November 24, 2014, the archaeological subcommittee of DHR's National Register Evaluation Committee met to consider the eligibility of sites 44NT207 and 44NT0218. Based upon the additional documentation provided in the revised addendum report, the Committee concurs with the consultants' recommendations. The Committee finds that sites 44NT207 and 44NT0218 do not meet the criteria for listing in the National Register of Historic Places due to their compromised integrity and low information potential. We agree that no further archaeological investigations are warranted at either of these sites. We do ask, however, that the V-CRIS forms for sites 44NT207 and 44NT0218 be updated to reflect the additional information gained and that the revised forms be included in the final report as an appendix in accordance with our state guidelines.

Furthermore, we have reviewed the *Assessment of Effects on Historic Properties for the FASTC in Nottoway County, Virginia*, prepared in October 2014. We are unsure who prepared this document and have concerns regarding the accuracy of the information as presented; therefore we are unable to concur with your determination of no adverse effect for the project. In order to move forward with consultation, please revise the archaeological reports as suggested above and provide two copies (plus one electronic) of the final report to our office. Please also revise the V-CRIS forms as described above as well.

You may contact me at your earliest convenience to discuss our comments on archaeology and our concerns with the assessment of effects. For specific questions regarding archaeology, please contact Ethel Eaton at (804) 482-6088 or ethel.eaton@dhr.virginia.gov. For architectural questions and any other questions, please contact me at (804) 482-6084, or via email at andrea.kampinen@dhr.virginia.gov.

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8.0 SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 Phase I Sites

8.1.1 Summary

Phase I survey was completed by Cardno TEC from October 2011 through March 2012 at three parcels of land at Fort Pickett Army National Guard MTC in Blackstone, Nottoway County, Virginia. A total of 1,026 acres (415 hectares) of land were surveyed and 9,804 STPs were excavated during the investigations. Sixteen previously unknown archaeological sites were discovered as part of this survey, including four prehistoric sites and 12 historic sites (Table 36). Historic sites included former locations of military barracks and housing at Fort Pickett, military equipment and trash disposal sites, former nineteenth century domestic sites, and historic trash disposal sites. Prehistoric sites included two Woodland Period camp sites and two small lithic scatters potentially associated with short term resource procurement or hunting camps. Seven of the sites were considered to be potentially eligible for the NRHP under Criteria D and were recommended for Avoidance or Additional Work. The remaining nine sites are considered to be not eligible for the NRHP due to previous disturbances, lack of integrity, or low artifact count. No further work is recommended at these sites. Each of these sites is summarized below.

Table 36. Recommendations for Phase I sites

Site Number	Site Name	Eligibility Recommendation	Action Recommendation
44NT0207	Golder House Site	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II
44NT0208	Military Site 1	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0209	Military Site 2	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0210	Pottery Ridge Site	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II
44NT0211	Gunn House Site	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0212	Garnett Street Site	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II
44NT0213	Military Burn Site	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0214	Gunn Scatter Site	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0215	Military Mess Scatter Site	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0216	Military Housing Site	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0217	Sydnor House Site	Not eligible	No additional work
44NT0218	Tank Trail 1	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II
44NT0219	Tank Trail 2	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II
44NT0220	Tank Trail 3	Not Eligible	No additional work
44NT0221	Birchin Creek Ridge Site	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II
44NT0222	Firing Range Site	Potentially eligible	Avoidance or Phase II

8.1.2 LRA 9 Area I, Site 44NT0207

The location of a possible historic house site, 44NT0207, was discovered in LRA 9 Area I. Forty-four artifacts were recovered from 15 STPs in this area, which likely corresponds to a house in this location on a 1864 military map of Nottoway County (Graves) associated with "Mrs. Golder". The site appears to be located in an area of historic fill that may relate to the house.

Although no foundations or features were discovered at this site, the presence of intact soils and possible historic fill on portions of site 44NT0207 indicate the possibility for recovery of intact features related to the Golder house that could assist in the understanding of its construction or that could relate to the agricultural uses of the property. Additional investigation of this site

Snapshot

Date Generated: November 25, 2014

Site Name: Tank Trail 3
Site Classification: Terrestrial, open air
Year(s): 1875 - 1899, 1900 - 1924
Site Type(s): Dwelling, single, Farmstead
Other DHR ID: No Data
Temporary Designation: Tank Trail 3

Site Evaluation Status

Not Evaluated

Locational Information

USGS Quad: BLACKSTONE EAST
County/Independent City: Nottoway (County)
Physiographic Province: Piedmont
Elevation: 377
Aspect: Flat
Drainage: Chowan River
Slope: 0 - 2
Acreage: 0.060
Landform: Other
Ownership Status: State Govt
Government Entity Name: Virginia Department of Military Affairs

Site Components

Component 1

Category: No Data
Site Type: No Data
Cultural Affiliation: Indeterminate
DHR Time Period: 19th Century: 4th quarter
Start Year: 1875
End Year: 1899
Comments: No Data

Component 2

Category: No Data
Site Type: No Data
Cultural Affiliation: Indeterminate
DHR Time Period: 20th Century: 1st quarter
Start Year: 1900
End Year: 1924
Comments: No Data

Component 3

Category: Domestic
Site Type: Dwelling, single
Cultural Affiliation: No Data
DHR Time Period: No Data
Start Year: No Data
End Year: No Data
Comments: [2012 Sebestyen]

Component 4

Category:	Domestic
Site Type:	Farmstead
Cultural Affiliation:	No Data
DHR Time Period:	No Data
Start Year:	No Data
End Year:	No Data
Comments:	[2012 Sebestyen]

Bibliographic Information

Bibliography:

No Data

Informant Data:

Name: Unknown
Company 1: Virginia Army National Guard
State: Virginia
Owner Relationship: Owner of property

CRM Events

Event Type: Survey:Phase I/Reconnaissance

Project Staff/Notes:

Site was first discovered by its above-ground features including a stone-lined well, ornamental vegetation, and depressions. Artifacts were recovered from intact soils. Site may correspond to a structure on the 1895 Amelia quad map, however, it is unclear due to road alterations.

Site has above-ground features indicating a possible former domestic/farmstead site with intact subsurface deposits. Additional work or avoidance is recommended.

Project Review File Number:

2010-1921

Sponsoring Organization:

U.S. General Services Administration

Organization/Company:

Cardno TEC (DSS)

Investigator:

Sebestyen, Kimberly

Survey Date:

3/1/2012

Survey Description:

[2012 Sebestyen] Phase I Survey consisted of subsurface testing through the use of shovel test pits. Shovel tests pits (STPs) were excavated in transects at 15 m (50 ft) testing intervals across the proposed site. Each STP measured 35 cm (14 in) in diameter and was excavated no deeper than a maximum of 3.2 ft (1 m). Excavated soil was screened through ¼-inch hardware cloth. Where feasible, STPs were excavated following discernible stratigraphic levels. Recovered artifacts were collected and bagged separately by STP and excavation level.

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Current Land Use	Date of Use	Comments
Military base/facility	3/1/2012 12:00:00 AM	No Data
Threats to Resource:		Development
Site Conditions:		Subsurface Integrity, Surface Features
Survey Strategies:		Historic Map Projection, Observation, Subsurface Testing
Specimens Collected:		Yes
Specimens Observed, Not Collected:		No
Artifacts Summary and Diagnostics:		
[Sebestyen 2012] Artifacts include 1 milk glass vessel fragment, 2 handmade brick fragments, 4 unidentified iron fragments, 1 horse shoe, 6 window glass, 5 clear vessel glass, 1 unidentified iron ring, 1 cut nail, 1 unidentified nail, 3 cobalt blue bottle glass, 1 amethyst vessel glass, 1 wire nail, 2 aqua vessel glass		
Summary of Specimens Observed, Not Collected:		
No Data		
Current Curation Repository:		VAANG Fort Pickett Cultural Resources
Permanent Curation Repository:		No Data
Field Notes:		Yes
Field Notes Repository:		No Data
Photographic Media:		No Data
Survey Reports:		Yes
Survey Report Information:		
2012 Kimberly Sebestyen, Steven Brann, Kimberly Martin Phase I Archaeological Survey and Phase II Evaluation for the Proposed Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Nottoway County, Virginia		
Survey Report Repository:		DHR
DHR Library Reference Number:		NT-056
Significance Statement:		Site has above-ground features indicating a possible former domestic/farmstead site with intact subsurface deposits. Additional work or avoidance is recommended.
Surveyor's Eligibility Recommendations:		Legacy
Surveyor's NR Criteria Recommendations, :		A, B, C
Surveyor's NR Criteria Considerations:		Birth Place or Grave, Cemetery, Commemorative Property, Moved Property, Reconstructed Property, Religious Property, Significance of less than Fifty Years

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APPENDIX E
PART 2 CORRESPONDENCE WITH CONSULTING PARTIES

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Reference Potential Section 106 Consulting Party
 Land Acquisition and Development
 Department of State Foreign Affairs Security Training Center
 Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia

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Chief Walt Brown
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Rock Hill, SC 29730

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Cayuga Nation of Indians
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November 22, 2011

Mr. Michell Hicks
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
PO Box 455
Cherokee, NC 28719

Reference Potential Section 106 Consulting Party
 Land Acquisition and Development
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 Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia

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Qualla Boundary Reservation
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Chief George Wickliffe
United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians
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Foreign Affairs Security Training Center (FASTC)
Section 106 Consulting Party Response Form

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Phone: 215-446-4570 Fax: 215-873-8440
Email: donna.andrews@gsa.gov

FROM: _____

DATE: _____

Telephone/Fax Numbers: _____ / _____

Email Address: _____

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will be represented by

(Organization)

(Representative)

(Please indicate above the mailing address of the representative if different than the addressee).

I am a representative of a local government with jurisdiction over the area in which the project occurs. (If so, please go to the last question)

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Individual's or Organization's Demonstrated Interest
Please Check Appropriate Box(es)

- 1. legal interest
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Briefly describe your Demonstrated Interest: _____

Do you know of another potential consulting party for this project?
Please list their name and contact information below.

RE: FASTC 106 Consulting Party Invitation - Fort Pickett project

1 message

Beacham, Deanna (GOV) <Deanna.Beacham@governor.virginia.gov>
To: "Donna Andrews (3PCMA)" <donna.andrews@gsa.gov>

Wed, Nov 23, 2011 at 11:17 AM

Greetings Donna,

Thank you for the initiation document and yesterday's conversation.

This email will be formal notice that the Virginia Council on Indians will be a consulting party to your Section 106 process on this project. I will be the signatory, and my contact information is as below.

Best regards,

Deanna

Deanna Beacham

Virginia Council on Indians

Office of the Governor

P. O. Box 1475

Richmond, VA 23218

804.225.2084

deanna@governor.virginia.gov

<http://indians.vipnet.org>

From: Donna Andrews (3PCMA) [mailto:donna.andrews@gsa.gov]

Sen.: Tuesda., November 22, 2011 5:26 PM

To: Beacham, Deanna (GOV)

Subject: FASTC 106 Consulting Party Invitation - Fort Pickett project

M. . Beacham -

Thanks very much for your time this afternoon. Attached is the consulting party invitation letter and the correspondence to date with VDHR. The initiation letter to VDHR includes the testing plan for the property. Phase I investigations are currently under way, and we will undoubtedly be adding to the Phase II testing plan as potential sites are uncovered.

Please let me know if you need anything.

Donna

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FROM: WENONAH G. HAIRE, DMD
TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER
1536 Tom Steven Road
Rock Hill, S.C. DATE: 12/1/11
Telephone/Fax Numbers: 803 - 328 12427
Email Address: _____

Yes, I, or my organization, would like to be a consulting party in the Section 106 process for the FASTC at Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia.

CATAWBA INDIAN NATION THPO will be represented by

WENONAH G. HAIRE, DMD

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TRIBAL

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Briefly describe your Demonstrated Interest:

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FROM:

UKB Cherokee
PO Box 746
Tahlequah OK 74465

The United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma has no objection to the referenced project. However, if any remains, artifacts or other items are inadvertently discovered, please cease construction immediately and contact us at 918-456-6533 or by letter.

Lisa C. Stopp, Tribal NAGPRA POC

Date

DATE:

Telephone/Fax Numbers: 918-822-1952, 918-458-6889

Email Address: ukbthpo-Larue@yahoo.com

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Lisa Larue

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Briefly describe your Demonstrated Interest: Section 106 NHPA

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February 8, 2012

Dr. Wenonah G. Haire, DMD
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Catawba Indian Nation
1536 Tom Steven Road
Rock Hill SC 29730

Reference: Section 106 Consultation
Land Acquisition and Development
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Section 106 Undertaking, Department of State, Foreign Affairs Security Training Center, Fort Pickett, Virginia

Donna Andrews (3PCMA) <donna.andrews@gsa.gov>
To: ukbthpo-larue@yahoo.com

Wed, Feb 8, 2012 at 4:03 PM

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2 attachments

-  [03 DOS FASTC_VDHR Initiation Response.pdf](#)
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Lisa LaRue - UKB THPO <ukbthpo-larue@yahoo.com>
Reply-To: ukbthpo-larue@yahoo.com
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Cc: Istapleton@unitedkeetoowahband.org

Thu, Feb 9, 2012 at 11:51 AM

Thank you for the information; we look forward to reviewing the reports of the Phase 1 and in a continued consultation.

Best -
Lisa/UKB

-- On Wed, 2/8/12, Donna Andrews (3PCMA) <donna.andrews@gsa.gov> wrote:

From: Donna Andrews (3PCMA) <donna.andrews@gsa.gov>
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 **Dept. of State Foreign Affairs Security Training Center**

Caitlin Haire <caitlinh@ccppcrafts.com>
To: donna.andrews@gsa.gov

Mon, Mar 5, 2012 at 10:56 AM

Ms. Andrews,

We wish to be a consulting party in this undertaking. If you need anything else from us let me know. Thanks

Caitlin

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Tribal Historic Preservation Office
1536 Tom Steven Road
Rock Hill, SC 29730

803-328-2427 ext. 226
Caitlinh@ccppcrafts.com

Please Note: We CANNOT accept Section 106 forms via e-mail, unless requested. Please send us hard copies. Thank you for your understanding

FASTC Draft Archaeological and Architectural Reports

Donna Andrews (3PCMC) <donna.andrews@gsa.gov>

Fri, Jun 1, 2012 at 5:13 PM

To: Susan Smead <susan.e.smead@us.army.mil>, ukbthpo-larue@yahoo.com, deanna@governor.virginia.gov,

Kirsten Kulis <kkulis@achp.gov>

Cc: George Siekkinen <george.siekkinen@gsa.gov>, Abigail Low <abby.low@gsa.gov>, Myles Goodman <myles.goodman@gsa.gov>

Dear Lisa, Deanna, Susan, and Kirsten -

Please find attached a digital cc of the cover letter for the submission of the Determination of Eligibility reports for the FASTC project at Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia. As the report files are quite large, GSA's consultant has made them available for download from their ftp site. The links are located below. The easiest way to download them is to right click and select 'save link as.' Please let me know if you have any problems accessing the reports, have any questions, or need any additional information.

Looking forward to your comments.

Donna

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Sorry to have to tell you all that the VCI office has been closed by the administration, and the American Indian Specialist position has been eliminated.

i understand there have been many letters of protest to no avail. Please inform our previous contacts at Fort Pickett, and thanks for all your respect for Virginis Indians in the past.

Deanna Beacham

From: Donna Andrews (3PCMC) [donna.andrews@gsa.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 01, 2012 5:13 PM
To: Susan Smead; ukbthpo-larue@yahoo.com; Beacham, Deanna (GOV); Kirsten Kulis
Cc: George Siekkinen; Abigail Low; Myles Goodman
Subject: Fwd: FASTC Draft Archaeological and Architectural Reports

Dear Lisa, Deanna, Susan, and Kirsten -

Please find attached a digital cc of the cover letter for the submission of the Determination of Eligibility reports for the FASTC project at Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia. As the report files are quite large, GSA's consultant has made them available for download from their ftp site. The links are located below. The easiest way to download them is to right click and select 'save link as.' Please let me know if you have any problems accessing the reports, have any questions, or need any additional information.

Looking forward to your comments.

Donna

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Donna

Links below. Archaeological report with appendix is in one zip file.

Kathy

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June 4, 2012

Chief Stephen R. Adkins
Chickahominy Indian Tribe
8200 Lott Cary Road
Providence Forge, VA 23140

Re: Potential Section 106 Consulting Party
Land Acquisition and Development
Department of State Foreign Affairs Security Training Center
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June 4, 2012

Chief Carl Custalow
Mattaponi Indian Tribe
1467 Mattaponi Reservation Circle
West Point, VA 23181

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Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia

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June 4, 2012

Chief Sharon Bryant
Monacan Indian Nation
PO Box 1136
Madison Heights, VA 24572

Re: Potential Section 106 Consulting Party
Land Acquisition and Development
Department of State Foreign Affairs Security Training Center
Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia

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Chief Barry W. Bass
Nansemond Indian Tribe
PO Box 6558
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June 4, 2012

Chief Kevin Brown
Pamunkey Tribe
175 Lay Landing Road
King William, VA 23086

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Chief G. Anne Richardson
Rappahannock Tribe
5036 Indian Neck Road
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June 4, 2012

Chief Kenneth Adams
Upper Mattaponi Indian Tribe
PO Box 174
King William, VA 23086

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Sincerely,



Donna Andrews
Regional Historic Preservation Officer
Public Buildings Service

Cc: Andrea Kampinen – Virginia Department of Historic Resources

June 4, 2012

Chief Walt Brown
Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Indian Tribe
PO Box 397
Courtland, VA 23837

Re: Potential Section 106 Consulting Party
Land Acquisition and Development
Department of State Foreign Affairs Security Training Center
Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia

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Public Buildings Service

Cc: Andrea Kampinen – Virginia Department of Historic Resources

June 4, 2012

Chief Lynette Lewis Allston
Nottoway Indian Tribe of Virginia
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Capron, VA 23829

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June 4, 2012

Chief Robert Green
Patawomeck Indian Tribe
534 Fagan Drive
Fredericksburg, VA 22405

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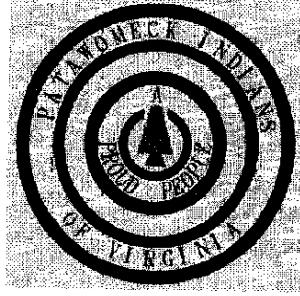
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534 Fagin Drive
Prestonburg, VA 24205
E-mail: reverendj@scs.net

TO: Donna Andrews Regional Historic Preservation Officer	FROM: Robert Green, Chief Patawomeck Indians of Virginia
COMPANY:GSA – Mid-Atlantic Region	DATE: June 11, 2012
RE: FASTC Project – Nottaway County, VA	PAGES: 2

URGENT FOR REVIEW PLEASE COMMENT PLEASE REPLY PLEASE RECYCLE

Dear Ms. Andrews:

Please find attached our response to your letter of June 4, 2012.

It does not appear that this project is in an area that was inhabited by our people. At this time I see no reason for us to be involved.

Should you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Robert Green, Chief
Patawomeck Indians of Virginia

**Foreign Affairs Security Training Center (FASTC)
Section 106 Consulting Party Response Form**

TO: **Donna Andrews
U.S. General Services Administration
The Strawbridge Building
20 North 8th Street
Philadelphia, PA. 19107
Phone: 215-446-4570 Fax: 215-873-8440
Email: donna.andrews@gsa.gov**

FROM: **ROBERT GREEN, CHIEF
PATASQUECK INDIANS OF VIRGINIA
534 FAGAN DR.
FREDERICKSBURG, VA 22405**

DATE: _____

Telephone/Fax Numbers: 540-371-9452

Email Address: twoangle@cox.net

Yes. I, or my organization, would like to be a consulting party in the Section 106 process for the FASTC at Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia.

(Organization) will be represented by

(Representative)

(Please indicate above the mailing address of the representative if different than the addressee).

I am a representative of a local government with jurisdiction over the area in which the project occurs. (If so, please go to the last question)

No. I, or my organization, do(es) not wish to participate as a consulting party for the FASTC project.

Future Participation. As the project progresses into effects, I, or my organization, would like the opportunity to reconsider participation.

Individual's or Organization's Demonstrated Interest
Please Check Appropriate Box(es)

- 1. legal interest
- 2. economic interest
- 3. historic property(s) concerns

Briefly describe your Demonstrated Interest: _____

Do you know of another potential consulting party for this project?
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Section 106 Consulting Party Response Form

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The Strawbridge Building
20 North 8th Street
Philadelphia, PA. 19107
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FROM: **Chief Lynette Lewis Allston**
Nottoway Indian Tribe of Virginia
PO Box 246

DATE: June 19, 2012

Capron, VA 23829
cellphone# message line
Telephone/Fax Numbers: 757 653-7932 /

Email Address: NOTTOWAY OF VA @ AOL.COM

Yes. I, or my organization, would like to be a consulting party in the Section 106 process for the FASTC at Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia.

Nottoway Indian Tribe of Virginia (Organization) will be represented by

Lynette Allston (Representative)

(Please indicate above the mailing address of the representative if different than the addressee).

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Briefly describe your Demonstrated Interest: Presence of archeological sites related to the Nottoway Indian Tribes and other indigenous populations

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FROM: Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Indian Tribe
P.O. Box 397
Courtland, VA 2387

DATE: 6/20/12

Telephone/Fax Numbers: (757) 562-7760

Email Address: wdbrowniii@ad.com

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Chief Walt "Red Hawk" Brown

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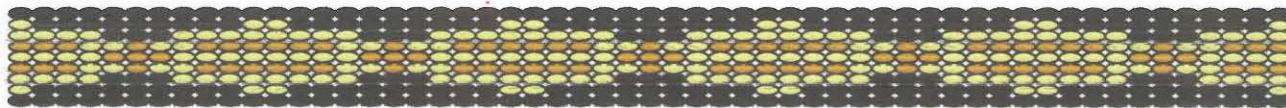
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Cheroenhaka (Nottoway)
Artifacts + burial grounds

Do you know of another potential consulting party for this project?
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Catawba Indian Nation
Tribal Historic Preservation Office
1536 Tom Steven Road
Rock Hill, South Carolina 29730

Office 803-328-2427
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June 20, 2012

Attention: Donna Andrews
U.S. General Services Administration
The Strawbridge's Building
20 North Eight Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107-3191

Re. THPO # TCNS# Project Description
2012-625-3 Dept. of State Foreign Affairs Security Training Center Ft. Pickett, Nottoway Co., VA

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Sincerely,

Caitlin Totherow for

Wenonah G. Haire
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

June 26, 2012

Chief Lynette Lewis Allston
Nottoway Indian Tribe of Virginia
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Capron VA 23829

Reference: Section 106 Consultation
Land Acquisition and Development
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Donna Andrews (3PCMC) <donna.andrews@gsa.gov>

Mon, Oct 1, 2012 at 11:14 AM

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Kirsten, Louise, Lisa, and Sue -

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Looking forward to your comments and hope that you all are enjoying the transition into fall.

Donna

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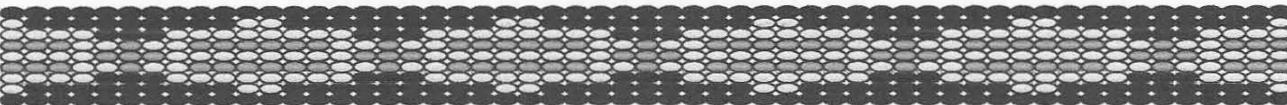
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October 29, 2012

Attention: Donna Andrews
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20 N. 8th Street
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Re. THPO # TCNS#	Project Description
2012-625-1	Land Acquisition and Development Dept. of State Foreign Affairs Security Training Center Ft. Pickett, Nottoway Co., VA DHR File No. 201-1921

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DOS FASTC, Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia

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Thu, Dec 20, 2012 at 1:29 PM

To: Kirsten Kulis <kkulis@achp.gov>, ukbthpo-larue@yahoo.com, Susan Smead <susan.e.smead@us.army.mil>

Cc: Kathy Hall <Kathleen.Hall@cardnotec.com>, Kim Sebestyen <Kimberly.Sebestyen@cardnotec.com>, Abigail Low <abby.low@gsa.gov>, Myles Goodman <myles.goodman@gsa.gov>

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This submission also includes the determination of effects, included as an attachment to the cover letter.

I realize that we're coming up quick on what will likely be a long weekend / week off for most folks, so if the link expires before you can download the reports, let me know and we'll have it refreshed.

Looking forward to your comments and hope that you have happy holidays and a joyous start to the new year.

Donna

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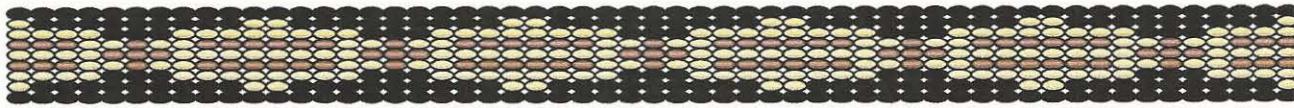
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January 31, 2013

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Sincerely,

Caitlin Totherow
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Mon, Oct 27, 2014 at 7:04 PM

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Kirsten, Lisa, and Sue -

Please find attached a digital cc of the cover letter for the submission of the revised archaeology Determination of Eligibility report, Phase II archaeological investigation, and overall Effects Analysis for the FASTC project at Fort Pickett, Nottoway County, Virginia. As the report files are quite large, GSA's consultant has made them available for download from their ftp site. The links are located below. The easiest way to download them is to right click and select 'save link as.' Please let me know if you have any problems accessing the reports, have any questions, or need any additional information.

If the link expires before you can download the reports, let me know and we'll have it refreshed.

Looking forward to your comments.

Donna

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Thank you,

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Wed, Nov 26, 2014 at 12:15 PM

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Happy snowy Thanksgiving eve -

Please find attached a digital copy of DHR's response letter to our October 28 review package submission for the Department of State FASTC project at Fort Pickett, Virginia. We have some revisions and additional information to submit.

Please let me know if you need anything, safe travels, and have a happy holiday.

Donna

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Wed, Nov 26, 2014 at 3:11 PM

Dear Donna,

Please send this in hard copy. Due to our process, we must have it in hard copy.

Thanks,
Wenonah
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